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## Berkeley may join Albany cardroom lawsuit

By Brian Caulfield

BERKELEY — Albany city officials banking on big revenues generated by a new cardroom at Golden Gate Fields may soon find Berkeley betting against them.

The Berkeley City Council unanimously voted to ask City Attorney Manuela Albuquerque to report on the advisability of joining a lawsuit aimed at Albany's proposed card room at its meeting Tuesday night. Judge Sandra Margules will hold a preliminary hearing on the case May 9.

The lawsuit charges Albany voters were tricked into approving the card room before the impact of the development was properly investigated, denying the public the right to cancel the project if it turns out the card room will hurt the community.

While some funds from the facility will line Albany city coffers, the city of Berkeley will receive none of the funds, and may be impacted by the development. While most of the facility is in Albany, the main entrance and the southern part

of the race track property is in Berkeley.

Councilmember Linda Maio said the developers' plan to run shuttles addressed her concerns about transportation, but that she still had some concerns about social effects of the card room.

"(The card room could mean) an increase in crime and general gambling mania that wreak havoc on families and raise the opportunity for people to get out there and do that," Maio said.

Albany voters approved the pro-

posal for a 150 table card room at the Albany racetrack last November.

Albany city officials say development will begin a year to 18 months after the lawsuit is settled. Brad Smith, chair of the Berkeley Waterfront Commission said the project was rushed through and Berkeley had little chance to comment on the project.

"The key thing is approaching the entire issue of what gets done along the waterfront as a regional issue," Smith said. "Something as

big as a 150 table card room will effect the entire region, not just Albany."

The Berkeley Waterfront Commission and other groups have been asking for an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) on the process so the city of Berkeley can comment on the project and ask for changes. The commission voted last August to request an EIR, and 7-0 last February to ask the city council to explore suing the city of Albany.

However, no EIR on the project

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## Birth center offers essential support

By Mary Flaherty

ALBANY — Half a dozen expecting parents are gathered in a circle on soft couches and in rocking chairs, several of them holding stuffed animals. The instructor is discussing the on-set of labor, "if you're having quick hard contractions, it's going to be a fast labor. Get to the hospital now." There are some looks of shock. It's a good thing they have the stuffed animals; becoming a parent can be scary.

The Birth and Bonding Family Center at 1126 Solano Avenue in Albany is there to educate and support parents during a



John Browne (top) reaches toward Sabrina Sam to feel his child during a group session for expectant parents. Alice Harry, 18 months, (above) shows a growing interest at the center.

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## Kensington a fire hazard zone

By Dawn Frasier

KENSINGTON — Virtually all of Kensington will soon be designated as a Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone. The Kensington Fire District board passed on first reading a draft ordinance enacting the zone as required by California state law under the Bates Bill.

At the same time, the board decided to separate the specific hazard management standards to be set in the zone, delineating those by resolution, which is more easily changed and adapted than an ordinance. The board has yet to discuss what standards will be set by resolution.

The El Cerrito City Council made the same decision earlier this month, enacting the zone designation but delaying discussion of the specific standards to be set. El Cerrito's current standards are considered to be stricter than those set by the state at any rate.

A jurisdiction could choose not to agree with the state's fire zone designation (made by the California Department of Forestry) but would have to present specific findings of fact in order to do so.

It would be difficult for either El Cerrito or Kensington to do that when surrounding jurisdictions have agreed with the designation.

"Conditions in Kensington and the hills area of El Cerrito are similar to those in the Berkeley and Oakland (fire) areas," said El Cerrito fire chief Steve Cutright, who is also under contract serving as chief over Kensington's fire services.

There was no disagreement with the zone classification in Kensington. The vote was unanimous and "no one in the room felt we weren't a high risk area," said board chair Ron Eggherman. About 98 percent of the town will be included in the zoning designation, not counting the small section of Kensington that extends from Colusa and Santa Fe Avenues along both streets to the county line, forming a small triangle. The boundary following Colusa ties in directly with Berkeley's Very High Fire Hazard Severity Zone boundary.

The Bates Bill sets standards in two basic areas for structures located in the zone.

Certain construction standards are set. For example, new homes and those being renovated by 50 percent or

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## El Cerrito working to repair streets with pothole problems

### Few complaints about Albany streets

By Shannon Morgan

It's like running the gauntlet. Every day thousands of motorists and bicycle riders can be seen swerving through the streets vainly attempting to avoid a crumbling concourse of potholes.

While normally an inevitable part of urban life, this year's unusually heavy rainfall has done more than drench parched hillsides and gardens; it's also wreaked havoc on city streets.

The results of an informal poll of Journal readers showed a majority of respondents concerned with the condition of El Cerrito streets.

Callers complained in particular about Central Avenue, from the freeway to Richmond Street, where cars confront a series of unavoidable craters.

But, according to City Engineer Mori Struve, motorists and bike riders alike will soon see relief on the main thoroughfare.

"All of Central Avenue is being overlaid. It has been a problem; it's

a tough street to maintain because there is so much traffic," he said.

Upper Terrace, above the Arlington, is another story, however.

"The center of the street is full of holes and has been as long as we've lived here. Besides all the old potholes, there was a severe one in the right hand lane that one couldn't help but hit. For some reason they fixed just that one, though not very well," said one citizen. "We're very tired of potholes."

Struve agreed that Upper Terrace merits concern, and tried to explain why the city's repair system may seem haphazard.

"It's a bad street. It is originally old concrete pavement. Sometime in the past there was an asphalt overlay, which is now in bad condition," because the concrete plates below it are in motion, Struve explained.

The other problem complicating permanent repairs to city thoroughfares is a lack of funding.

According to Community Development Manager Patrick O'Keefe, the city simply does not have the funds to maintain its streets.

At present the city has an annual budget of \$200,000 for surface street repairs funded by a 25-cent sales tax approved by county voters in 1988.

"I'd guess it's more in the range of \$500,000 to \$600,000 annually to get the system in a good place and maintain it," O'Keefe said.

In addition, Struve pointed out that while federal grants may be available for major or secondary arterial streets, there is very little funding to be found for less-traveled residential streets.

"It's a problem because funding is not as readily available as it is for arterials and there are so many competing demands for the money, we are kind of getting stuck," he said.

For Upper Terrace, Struve said, funding for permanent repairs will likely come from the county tax.

"Ultimately fixing it could be very expensive. I met with a contractor last week and we're going to

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## More police may control speeders

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — An extended police department may play some part in the comprehensive speed control program currently under discussion by the city council, city staff and residents.

Among neighborhoods that have requested that the city do something about speed control are those on Rifle Range Road, 56th and 57th Streets, Poinsett Avenue, Key Boulevard, Arlington Boulevard, Pomona Street (700 to 900 blocks), Ashbury Avenue, Ramona Street and Avis Drive.

Some residents in those areas have asked for specific solutions to their traffic problems, including increased enforcement, the installation of speed bumps and an increase in stop signs. Several addressed the city council on that topic at a special session April 3.

One Seaview resident would like to see speed bumps installed because "they're there the time," unlike a passing police officer.

One Ashbury Avenue resident has volunteered to collect signatures if that will help get stop signs installed. He believes drivers speed up when they pass from Key Boulevard in Albany to Ashbury Avenue because the number of stop signs decrease.

Residents of Potrero are concerned about speeding El Cerrito High School students and other fast drivers.

"All of us agree that speed bumps or humps would help," said one.

Barbara Davis reminded the council that 54 residents of west El Cerrito had signed a petition in 1993 asking for stop signs at several intersections.

Several residents would like to see an increased police presence in the community whatever other means of traffic control are used.

One Arlington Boulevard resident, who believes that road sometimes treated like a "freeway" and does not like the

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Tim Miller

## United front

The grocery strike hits home as Safeway workers at the El Cerrito store continue to picket and employees at Lucky are locked out. There was at least one incident last Saturday where police were called to Safeway after reports of a fight involving a late-night shift change. Other grocery shopping alternatives in El Cerrito include Foods Co., El Cerrito Natural Grocery and the Blue and Gold Market. Shoppers in Albany can go to Andronico's in North Berkeley to avoid picket lines.



## Remembering When

By William Paul

### Early inventions on the road to merchandising

This is not strictly "Remembering When," but it's something I have to remark about. Bear with me.

My mother's 16th cousin, about five times removed, Noah Webster, probably wouldn't stand still for this, but I like to use the term "merchandising" as a verb. It's so expressive.

A good merchandiser makes whatever he or she is trying to dispose of at a profit so attractive, so needed, so desirable, the prospective purchaser just can't resist and digs down in the jeans and comes up with whatever it takes to own one.

If you read this column last Jan. 26, you heard how Henry Ford merchandised an automobile — stole the ridiculers' thunder and printed their jokes to his own advantage. People bought his product like hot cakes. That was merchandising.

I once heard a smart advertising executive roast some so-called fashion artists about their work because the artists were trying to outdo other fashion artists drawing pictures of models with legs twice as long as they really were and generally disfiguring their bodies until you couldn't tell what they were wearing.

And what they were wearing is what they were trying to sell. He, the executive, said something like, "Dammit, merchandise the product. Draw the dress, not some misshapen gargoyle."

Come to think about it, I do "Remember When" he said that — it was 1935. And that was about the time a lot of merchants started merchandising their wares — grocers started placing the syrups near the pancake flours; the liquor stores put the vermouth near the gin; department stores put out a rack of umbrellas near the front door on rainy days. That's merchandising.

One early manifestation of the use of merchandising may have been in the mortuary business. The morticians found that some of their clients felt the need to send their loved one off in style and ordered new clothing to complete the job.

You might call it good merchandising, therefore, when the mortuary laid in a good supply of both men's and women's clothing which was purchased by a surprisingly large number of people. Or you might say they were just filling a need.

A friend of our family, many years ago, concocted a fruit-flavored powder which when added to water made a soft drink. She was fairly well along in years, so would go into a soda fountain on a warm day and ask for a glass of water.

Nobody would turn an old lady down for a glass of water, so she would then whip out a paper of the powder, mix it with the water, and hand it back, saying, "Have a treat on me."

Then she would try to get the fountain to stock her product. That was merchandising. It didn't sell because it was a lousy product, but that was still merchandising.

In the '20s, you rarely saw a movie theater that didn't have a candy store next to it, or at least close-by, and S.O.P. was to buy a bag of candy and take it in to eat during the movie. Then the movies discovered they had room in their lobbies for setting up their own refreshment stands — so presto — popcorn. And presto — no more candy stores near movies.

Now if you are a VCR fan and rent your own movies to watch at home, don't read any farther. But a few days ago I rented my first film in about a year, at The Plaza, and saw some real merchandising. There at the counter where you check out were three boxes of packages of different kinds of unpopped popcorn to buy and take home and enjoy with the picture.

Right near them was a container that would hold about a quart, with a lid, and in it was just enough popcorn to fill the container when popped. All it needed was to be put in the microwave oven; turn on the oven, turn on the TV, the VCR, gorge yourself on popcorn, and let the rest of the world worry about whether O.J. dunnit or not. Man! That's livin'. That's merchandising.

## Letters to the Editor

### Environmental threat

Editor:

As a member of the County's Public and Environmental Health Advisory Board, I am concerned by the current congressional attempts to make major changes in the way environmental health and safety regulations are developed. We have seen the benefits to public health and the environment of the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, and other laws regulating hazardous materials.

The current proposals are more industry-friendly than public health-friendly. While existing laws use health as an important criterion, the new proposals would make decisions based on economic criteria and cost benefit analyses. This could endanger the public health of our communities, and could result in more, not less, government bureaucracy, as agencies are required to conduct extensive economic analyses.

Let's not rush to change the regulations just to meet the 100-day deadline. These proposals are being pushed through too quickly, without enough public input. Concerned people need to contact their representatives to urge more careful consideration of these proposals and more time for public input.

Jean B. Siri  
El Cerrito

### Valuable service

Editor:

Thank you so much for the helpful, informative and caring articles by Mary Moorhead. Her column's present various options for people approaching their (euphemistically coined) "Golden Years." This information has been valuable to myself, spouse and neighbors.

Hope we will see more of Ms. Moorhead's work in the near future. Also we have noted the vast improvement of The Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. A.J. Hourula  
El Cerrito

### AUSD troubles ahead

Editor:

Citizens of Albany, whether or not they have children attending public schools, should become

familiar with a serious problem in the Albany Unified School District.

Albany Schools have long been the envy of East Bay cities, a strong reason for families to move to or remain in Albany, and therefore a force for keeping city property values high. Most importantly, our Albany school children have benefited from the high standards that the district has historically maintained in school programs, facilities and personnel.

Without much media attention or public comment, these standards have eroded in the past six years, particularly in two areas: facilities maintenance and staff morale.

In six years, student enrollment has risen almost 17 percent, going up every year. New portables have been added to most school sites, including six portables to Albany Middle School. Every school is now at maximum capacity. During this same time, with increased site use and responsibilities, custodial and maintenance staff have been cut. School lunches have increased 20 percent, while staffing in that department has remained the same.

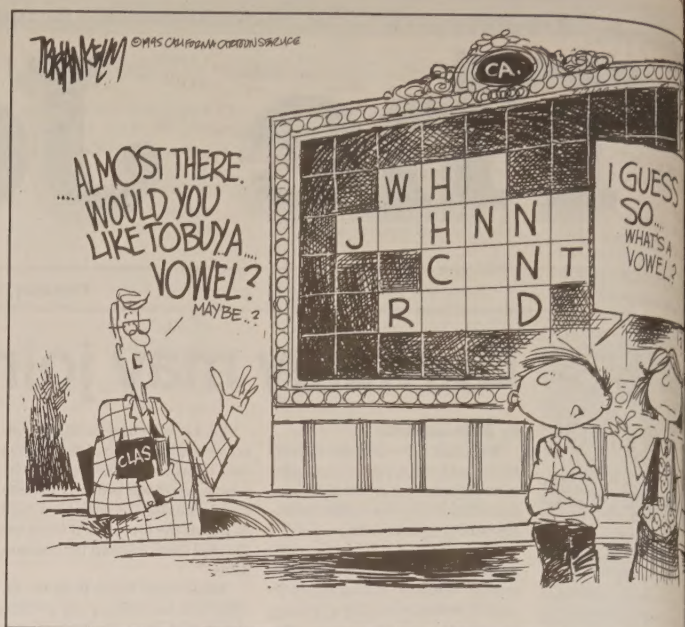
Residents may have noticed that the reduced staff have not been able to maintain landscaping and building exteriors in the past four years. Inside the buildings it is worse. The annual summer cleaning programs have not been fully staffed. Valuable district property has deteriorated from "deferred maintenance."

The inability to maintain standards has been a source of frustration and embarrassment for school classified employees. Add that to the fact that employees, with increased workloads, have had a 1 percent raise in four years, with no cost-of-living increases, and the district faces a serious morale problem.

At the same time, the district has now had its lawyer handling collective bargaining negotiations, performed in the past by district management. This has caused delays and duplication of efforts.

The result of this overall policy amounts to a lowering of the standard of living not only of Albany school children and school employees, but of the community at large. And yet there has been little or no public debate or discussion of this

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## Police Reports

### Robbery attempt ends with arrest in Albany

By K. Osborn

ALBANY — On the evening of April 5 a Fresno man entered a pharmacy near Solano and San Pablo avenues, simulated a gun in his jacket pocket and threatened to shoot the proprietor. He commanded all the people to lie down on the floor and demanded money from the cash drawer. The victim complied and the robber again threatened to shoot and fled. He was stopped by officers on the 900 block of Pierce Street, identified by the victim and arrested.

Thieves smashed the passenger window of a gray 1986 Audi 5000S while it was parked in front of a residence on the 800 block of Evelyn Avenue on the night of April 3. They stole the cellular phone and fled unseen.

On the morning of April 4 thieves smashed the driver's side window of a white 1992 Lincoln Town Car while it was parked in a driveway on the 600 block of Key Route Boulevard. They stole the cellular phone and fled unseen.

Thieves smashed the window of a car parked on the 700 block of Taft Street on the night of April 3. They stole the cellular phone and departed unseen.

Between 5 a.m. and 6 a.m. on April 6 thieves broke into a car on the 900 block of Pomona Avenue, stole the Motorola Flip-Phone and departed unseen. The resident had awakened when her dog barked but did not look outside and did not see the theft in progress.

On the morning of April 3 a Berkeley man was stopped when Albany Officers observed him taking recyclables from recycling buckets on the 1100 block of Neilson Street. He has been stopped for this type of theft in the past and a check revealed an outstanding warrant from San Francisco in the amount of \$457. He was arrested and booked without incident.

On the afternoon of April 5 a 9-year-old Albany girl reported that she was approached by a young boy who asked her if she

wanted any "crack" while walking on the south side of Avenue near Richmond. The boy and a friend teased her then departed.

She described the boy as white, 13 years old, 5'6", skinny with light brown hair, baggy gray sweatshirt, and a second boy, 13 years old, 5'6", with blond hair. Police are investigating.

On the afternoon of April 3 thieves entered a residence, 600 block of San Pablo, through an unlocked kitchen window, stole about 85 cans of food, a vacuum cleaner, a living room, then departed. Police are investigating.

During the week of April 3 Albany officers fingerprinted people at their request, cars, responded to 12 calls, assisted five people who were locked out of their homes and responded to two barking dogs.

### Suspects escape after robbery at gunpoint

By Dawn Frasleur

EL CERRITO — Two men approached a man in the 2600 block of Edwards at about 10:15 p.m. March 30. One pointed a semi-automatic handgun at the victim, demanding cash; the second hit the victim with a steel cable. They fled after getting \$2 and some miscellaneous items.

The suspects were described as black males between 25 and 30 years of age; they were both wearing dark clothing.

A San Pablo youth was arrested for threatening to beat several St. John's Elementary school students with a stick at 3:25 p.m. March 30 in the 10600 block of San Pablo Avenue. The suspect allegedly choked one victim, pulling at his stereo, then fled.

An Albany High School student was approached by a white male suspect in the 400 block of Seaview Drive at 2:30 p.m. March 31. The suspect blocked the pathway and demanded money, then let the victim go.

An unreported stolen vehicle, a 1988 Honda Civic, was set on fire at 8:13 p.m. March 29. The fire was extinguished by the El Cerrito Fire Department before the police were called. The incident occurred at Rifle Range Road and Linda Vista.

A prowler was reported in the 6700 block of Glen Mawr Avenue at 1:03 a.m. March 30.

Reem Pharmacy was burglarized between 9:20 p.m. and 9:25 p.m. March 31; prescription medications were taken.

A Berkeley resident reported seeing two men in a vehicle, one displaying a handgun, at San Pablo Avenue and Potrero at 2:40 p.m. April 3.

A Richmond man was arrested for attempting to sell federal food stamps at the FoodsCo March 30 at 2:45 p.m.

Three burglaries were reported in the 900 block of Kearney Street during the daytime March 28. Padlocks were forced on three storage closets. A bicycle was taken from one.

That same afternoon, a kitchen window was forced open in the

700 block of Elm Street; miscellaneous items were taken.

Miscellaneous items were taken from an unlocked garage in the 6400 block of Fairmount Avenue during the night of March 30.

A Little Caesar's Pizza employee was arrested in connection with the theft of another employee's vehicle which was used for delivering pizza March 29.

A 1980 Toyota Celica was reported stolen in the 11400 block of San Pablo Avenue during the night of March 31.

A Richmond youth was arrested for possession of a car stereo and amplifier with the serial numbers scratched off at Richmond Street and Schmidt Lane at 1:10 a.m. March 31.

Property thefts (and attempted thefts) from vehicles were reported in front of FoodsCo on the afternoon of March 28 (miscellaneous items taken), in the 6600 block of Central Avenue during the night of March 27 (door pried, no entry made), in the 1000 block of Arlington Boulevard during the night of March 31 (ashtray and coins), in the 900 block of Balra during the night of March 21 (miscellaneous items and electronic equipment), in the 6400 block of Lagunitas Street during the night of March 10 (cellular phone and miscellaneous items).

at Knott Avenue and Key Boulevard during the daytime March 27 (rear license plate); in the 1000 block of King Drive during the early morning hours of April 1 (two incidents: stereo taken from one vehicle, window shattered with no entry in the second), in the 8400 block of Terrace Drive between March 31 and April 4 (glovebox ransacked), in the 900 block of Norvell Street during the night of March 30 (\$1 taken from glovebox; console to stereo broken), and in the 400 block of Kearney Street during the night of March 30 (chainsaw taken from a toolbox in the rear of a pickup truck).

Three incidents of vehicle vandalism were reported. A BB

was shot through a window the night of March 28, 4000 block of Richmond. A hubcap was removed and loosened on a vehicle in the block of Eureka during the night of March 29.

An ashtray was removed from a vehicle and damaged the tail lamp lens, stereo, and rearview mirror in the block of San Pablo Avenue the night of April 4.

A felt pen was used to mark a garage door in the block of Seaview during the night of March 31.

Thefts were reported in the 2000 block of Key Boulevard on March 15 and March 28 (clothing, mailbox), the 1600 block of 29th Street between March 29 (a mower from the restaurant in the 6000 block of Central Avenue between 11:35 a.m. March 29 and 11:40 a.m. March 29), and the 10900 block of San Pablo the night of March 29.

Someone scratched the store windows of Biggie Goods and spray painted curbs in front of the store the night of March 28.

An egg was thrown at a living room window in the block of Carmel Avenue at 11:35 p.m. March 25.

Someone threw a glass through a rear residential window in the 6600 block of Central Avenue at 11:40 p.m. March 29.

A Richmond woman arrested for possession of a phetamines at 4:05 p.m. March 30 at San Pablo Avenue and Knott Avenue. An Oakland man was arrested for giving a false name for traffic stop at San Pablo and Bayview at 1 a.m. March 30. Shoplifting arrests were reported at FoodsCo (a male juvenile, a Richmond juvenile), Target (a woman, an Oakland woman, an Oakland man), and a Richmond female juvenile.

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# Students light up at prospect science fair

Down Frasleur

**EL CERRITO** — Science fairs are pretty esoteric, but that was the case at last week's election fair at Prospect School. The exhibit at "Shocking Experiments" was hands-on, and each student was a lot of fun.

One could lasso a cow (thanks to Nancy Moore) or go on a quest for a troll (with Sam Jones). You could use an electro magnet to move a ball around a maze (Kai Hasson's creation), or eat a delicious mouse (for Hsu) or move a mouse through a tinfoil maze, keeping safe from Ariel Postone's cat at the end.

Games were popular choices among the project designers. Jones' let you light a red string of lights; in Jared Lee's game, a light meant you'd lost off the track. Jane offered "Cats on Guard" — a mouse maze; his tail had to be a number of kitty whiskers.

The fair was the culmination of the school's fifth and sixth grades. Each student's assignment was to design a game using what he or she had learned — not any help from parents (all work was done at school), not any money.

Teacher Mona Lea supplied the materials, lights and wires (and a specialty items, like dog biscuits). The kids supplied all the creativity.

The idea was for light to play a major part in a game," said Lea. "The students added one more require-

ment for the students' projects. They had to be attractive.

So Katherine Behrsin's bride doll (created with a box, paper tube arm and artfully painted face) was finely dressed in laces and bows; if you chose the right wedding ring for her finger, she'd light right up. Annie Goodwill used her creative talents to design an old western saloon and tailor shop as the goal in her Pony Express maze, while Zach Blume turned a plain cardboard box into a dollhouse any child would love for "Honey, I'm Home."

Zachary Wilkins-Malloy gathered together stuffed toys from Sesame Street to appeal to the younger set. ("I chose it for the little kids," he said.) In "Feed our Friend," younger students could throw a ball into Cooky Monster's mouth and make his eyes light up.

Though the materials were simple, there was a wide variety in the activities parents viewed at an evening showing and younger students got to try out the next day.

Some of the activities themselves were simple. Tom Carman's "Pitch for the A's" was a traditional tossing game (ball into mitt); David Gilliland asked "What is It?" Participants could reach in, guess the object, then check their guesses by interior light.

Brian Block's game just called for rolling balls into the right holes, but he incorporated both lights and electromagnetism in its design; in "Punt Return," Jonah Klein created a tabletop football field you had to cross, keeping the



Fifth grader Nate Houghteling demonstrates his project while classmate Zachary Blume looks on.

light on at all times. If you did light Elizabeth Mangold's "Help Me" light while helping your frog cross the treacherous pond, you were in trouble.

"A researcher gets you," said Elizabeth, who designed little knives for her research cage and sharp teeth for a threatening alligator just to get the point across.

Some bordered just a bit on the macabre — stabbing a vampire in exactly the right spot, keeping Flight 57 (a ball bearing) from crashing (Nate Houghteling's creation), or "try to roll the cars, keeping the headlights on before you hit the brick wall and die" in Brian Hickman's "Get Me Out Alive."

The students' projects did more than just test their understanding

of correct circuitry. Lea encouraged them to use their artistic abilities in designing "aesthetically pleasing" projects. Writing was also a critical part of the process, from developing clear instructions to keeping diaries on the projects.

"Ouch! I Von to Suck Your Blood" is a nerve tester," wrote designer Serena Monts. "You try to stab the vampire in the heart without waking him up. If you touch his ribs before you reach the heart, his eyes light up indicating that he is awake! Not surprisingly, he now intends to suck your blood."

"I thought this project was fun, but at times very frustrating. I hope you live through mine and get to see the other projects the fifth and sixth graders have prepared...."

## Quake Corner

By Valerie Cheasty

### More blocks getting ready for drill

**ALBANY** — Residents took strides toward reaching the city's goal of 100 percent participation in earthquake preparedness last Saturday when over 50 unorganized streets were represented in the training for the "soon to be organized" blocks put on by the Earthquake Preparedness Program (EQPP).

Those who came were shown how to participate in the April 22 city-wide earthquake drill, the first city-wide earthquake drill to be held in California.

Nadja Christian, EQPP board liaison with the Office of Emergency Services led the training. Two hours after she started participants were ready to take the earthquake drills back to their blocks.

Her training broke people into small groups going through the April 22 earthquake scenarios. Neighbors were grouped by the sections of town in which they live.

To introduce participants to earthquake preparedness, Dave Simpson, Disaster Preparedness Coordinator for Albany commented, "First the bad news, in an earthquake you'll be on your own for 72 hours. But that's the only bad news."

"Now the good news — Albany offers an aggressive training program. We offer rare classes like 'search and rescue' that almost no other cities offer," he said.

"We have resources like handheld radios available for communication, and we have active neighborhood groups," Simpson said.

EQPP Boardmember and Albany

City Councilmember Bruce Mast spoke next about organizing his own block.

"We started last summer and learned as we went along. We had a garage sale and made \$200 for our group's supplies. That afternoon we closed off our street and held a block party," Mast said.

"For us it was good preparation, but also it was neighborhood building. We know each other now, and have a good time," Mast commented.

To launch the meeting, EQPP Co-Chair Robert Cheasty described an 8.1 earthquake hitting an unprepared Albany, and then asked "How would you feel if you knew this would strike 10 minutes from now?"

After the audience reaction, Cheasty asked "How would you feel if we could put this off for a month and 10 minutes from now? How many of you would run home and take care of all the things we've been talking about?"

"If you had a month, you would bolt your house to its foundation, shearwall the sides, strap your waterheater, remove flammables from dangerous places; you would store water and food, you would do all the things we have discussed to prepare."

"EQPP focuses on preparedness. We are here to show you how by spending \$1 on preparedness you save \$13 later. But it's not just the cost savings. Albany residents will weather the next big quake far better if we take action now," Cheasty said.

### Easter egg hunt on in El Cerrito

Hop, skip, jump, leap, whatever your means of transportation is, just get on over to the annual Easter Egg Hunt sponsored by the city of El Cerrito.

The hunt will be held at the Arlington Park on Saturday, April 15 at 10 a.m.

The hunt is only available because of the generous donations of the following organizations: El Cerrito Fire Fighters Association,

El Cerrito Rotary Club, See's Candy, El Cerrito Electric, El Cerrito/Albany Kiwanis Club, El Cerrito Lions Club and El Cerrito Lumber. The Easter Bunny will be on hand to give treats and take pictures with your children. Be on time, because rain or shine the hunt starts promptly at 10 a.m.

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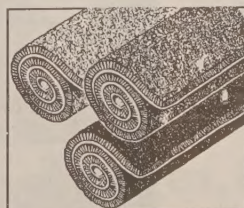
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direction that district management has apparently taken.

Classified employees, members of SEIU Local 790, are currently bargaining for a contract for the 1994-95 school year. We feel we have been patient and quiet until now. We call upon district management to accomplish two objectives in the coming period:

1) Restore eliminated maintenance and custodial positions, and tie staffing levels to student enrollment.

2) Bargain in good faith with all employee unions by placing a fair wage and benefit package on the table.

We invite all citizens to visit the schools to view their condition of the facilities, and we promise to keep the public informed of these issues.

Thomas Carr  
Field Representative  
SEIU Local 790  
Oakland

## Revolutionary folly

Editor:

The Gingrich counter-revolution has the upper hand right now, nationally, in the state, and locally, propelled by Limbaugh, Pat Robertson, Pat Buchanan, the Baby Bushes, Dan Quayle, the biggest, wealthiest corporations, the wealthiest of wealthy families, and, of course, the religious right, and the violence-prone pro-life movement.

Those of us who believe in a quality environment, in conservation of our natural and human resources, must join hands, locally, statewide, and nationally, to block the major provisions of the Contract for America, defeat term limits, underwrite aid to education, preserve the National Endowment of the Arts, rescue public television, and provide a sane and humane welfare program and a sensible anti-crime and anti-violence program.

Concurrently, we must expose Pete Wilson for the consummate con man which he is.

Then we must bombard legislators, federal, state, and local, with the self-evident truths which comprise the historic social contract of our nation. So, wake up and fight.

Dan Freudenthal  
El Cerrito

## Precious commodity

Editor:

The amazing response times of both the Albany Fire Department ambulance and the local police were demonstrated once again to me a couple of months ago when I fell down by my house on Curtis Street and broke my hip.

My wife had hardly put the phone down and gotten back to me when the paramedics arrived. Police officers were with them making sure it was

an accident and not foul play that brought me down.

I have had big bones broken before, so I could appreciate the skillful and kindly manner in which the paramedics handled me. When one has suffered a serious injury he appreciates being treated like a human being and not just a body to be disposed of as quickly as possible.

I don't believe anybody in this wide land of ours has better ambulance service than we do in Albany, and I doubt very many have anything comparable. Fire fighters say the ambulance usually arrives in under three minutes of receiving the call.

But all this will change if Albany does not get the revenue from the card room at Golden Gate Fields. Both fire and police departments will be hard hit. Chief Marc McGinn has told me that cuts in his department will probably mean that it is forced to amalgamate with Berkeley or be incorporated into some regional organization. Either way, there is no question that the response time will go down.

Robert Outis, a local attorney representing something called Citizens for Responsible Government, has launched a law suit to overturn the will of the majority and deny the city this revenue so essential to maintaining the first class fire, police, and other services we now enjoy.

Let's be clear on this: I do not wish Mr. Outis or any of the group he represents harm. But I'll bet that if any of them were to lie in agony wondering how much longer it would be, oh Lord, before the ambulance came — as I once did in another city, another time — he would drop the law suit quicker than he could dial 911.

Dave Greer  
Albany

## Unnecessary ambiguity

Editor:

Dawn Frasier's "Police Report" for El Cerrito serves little purpose when the race of the criminal is always omitted. K. Osborn's column for Albany always gives a complete description of the person that committed the crime and got away. Ex: A shoplifter is described as a white adult male wearing a dark shirt, and possibly a pony tail.

Her attempts at being Politically Correct won't help El Cerrito citizens be on the look out for people who commit crimes. A more complete Police Report would.

Jeff Dutton  
El Cerrito

## Room for everyone

Editor:

I would like to clear up some confusion about the mitigation project Caltrans is exploring at the Albany waterfront. A number of soccer, softball and little league organizers and parents unfortunately have been misled into worrying that

the Caltrans project would preclude or drastically reduce playing fields on the plateau. This is simply not the case. The plateau is an enormous area, with plenty of room for playing fields, picnic areas and the mitigation project, should it come to pass. Although the Waterfront Committee's proposal intentionally does not specify the size, number, and configuration of fields — something to be decided in a subsequent phase of planning — we have determined that there is more than sufficient space to construct an adult-size soccer field, which is equivalent to about three fields for youth under 8 years old, and an adult-size baseball field, which can accommodate two or more youth fields.

That said, sports fans and the general public should keep in mind that the Waterfront Committee's park proposal is a set of recommendations, not a final plan. The city council will review, and possibly amend, the proposal before it goes to the East Bay Regional Park District. The park district will eventually own, plan, develop and likely operate the entire Eastshore State Park, including the portion within Albany. We certainly hope that our recommendations, including playing fields, will be implemented.

Citizens concerned about the playing fields, or any other aspect of the committee's proposal, are welcome to call me at 528-6250 for more information.

Victoria Wake  
Chair, Albany Waterfront Committee

## Local artist's work on display at U

Recent watercolors, collages, pastels, and drawings by Albany artist Trudy Vilaska are on display at UC-Berkeley's YWCA Main Lounges April 28.

Recently retired from teaching in Alaska Vilaska also taught in Benicia. Prior to the Bay Area, she and her husband lived in New York City, where she held jobs in public relations and publicity writing at the Metropolitan Museum of Art, Lever Brothers Company, and Smith, Inc. (art supplies manufacturer).

Vilaska received her Bachelor of Science in Fine Art from Skidmore College. She has two children.

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## Albany woman appointed to national conference on aging

Joanna Ok-Yone Selby of Albany was recently appointed by Governor Pete Wilson as a delegate to the 1995 White House Conference on Aging (WHCoA), to be held May 2 through 5 in Washington, D.C.

The 1995 WHCoA is the fourth such conference in history and the last of this century. More than 2,250 delegates from all 50 states and the U.S. Territories will gather at the Washington Hilton Hotel in May to develop resolutions which will shape aging national policy over the next decade.

The theme of the conference is "America Now and Into the 21st Century: Generations Aging Together with Independence, Opportunity, and Dignity." The agenda

consists of four issues: (1) Assuring Comprehensive Health Care Including Long Term Care, (2) Promoting Economic Security, (3) Maximizing Housing and Support Service Options, and (4) Maximizing Options for a Quality of Life.

Two cross cutting concerns pervade the agenda and will influence discussions at the conference. These are interdependence among generations and among members of extended families, and the responsibility of individuals to plan for changes that will occur throughout their lifespan; and unique contributions and needs of special populations, especially veterans, caregivers (including grandparents), rural elderly,

women, minorities and persons with disabilities.

Joanna Ok-Yone Selby is a member of Albany's National Association of Federal Employees, Chapter of Older Women's board member of Albany Interdependent Elderly work, and volunteer of the Berkeley Senior Center.

She said she is "very excited to have this opportunity to help shape national aging policy for the future. The follow-through on policy is also an important part of the process."

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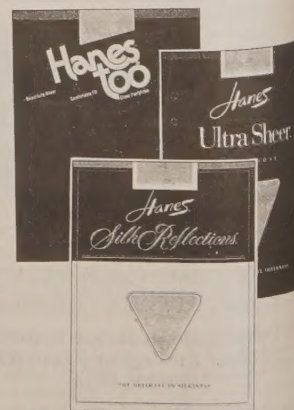


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## Spring celebration planned

EL CERRITO — The El Cerrito International of El Cerrito is holding a Tea Party to celebrate Spring and raise money for scholarships and women's issues, on Saturday, April 29 from 2:00 p.m. to 4 p.m. The special event will be held at the El Cerrito Community Center at 7007 Moser Lane. Friends, family and children are invited to participate in the old fashioned English style tea. Vintage attire will be worn

by some of the hostesses at the tea table. There will be entertainment with a Maypole Dance by students of the El Cerrito Ballet Center, a ballroom dance variation by Sharon Mulgrew and Bryan Umeri, a grab bag for children, a plant sale and a vintage accessories exhibit by Lois Boyle. To purchase tickets call June Boblitt at 527-5715 or Mary Gianotti at 235-0706. The price is \$7 for adults and \$3 for kids.

## Tenants back out of FoodsCo development

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The city council/redevelopment agency has extended a second Exclusive Negotiating Rights Agreement (ENRA) with Pacific Development Group until September.

The developer has been working to put together a retail shopping center adjacent to the FoodsCo store. The expected makeup of that retail center has changed since it was first proposed.

Long's Drugs and Ross Dress

for Less were expected to be the two anchor tenants for the center, with Boston Chicken, Blockbuster music, Office Max, Crown Books and Clothier among other expected tenants.

Those tenants and Ross rejected the site. Long's made a commitment to the site over a year ago but terminated its lease in January for internal reasons. Now Pacific Development is approaching the plan in a different way, and the agency has given the company time to do it.

"Things have been beyond their control," said Jane Bartke, who chairs the redevelopment agency. "It took a long time to work out things with Shell; they've been working hard, but the timing's been against them."

"Everything took longer than anyone expected; now they're ready

to proceed."

While PDG was hard at work looking for future tenants, the site could not be offered until it was tested for toxic contaminants. Eventually, Shell Oil (a former owner) took responsibility for conducting the research and cleanup effort; now the property is now ready for development.

"Originally, the plan was for two tenants and a lot of little stores," said Bartke. "Now, the thinking is that a third anchor with just a few others might be the way to go."

PDG has received a letter of intent from Walgreen's to open a store in the new center. Staples, an office supply store, has submitted a letter of intent to PDG. Part of a national chain, the store is currently targeting the northern California market. Michael's, a national arts and crafts

retailer, has also expressed interest and could serve as a third junior anchor.

Hollywood Video has also submitted a letter of intent.

"We're fighting the competition very drastically from two areas, Appian Way (the Pinole Vista shopping center) and Emeryville (with one new major shopping center and a second in the works)," Bartke said. "Hilltop is also considering...a new retail center (at the Atlas Road interchange)."

"We're having to fight for our people right now."

Both the city and the leasing agent are currently conducting demographic studies for marketing purposes. Bartke said the shopping market for El Cerrito includes residents from El Cerrito, Albany, Kensington and north Berkeley.

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### Albany PTA Council News

By Peggy Thow

## The pros and cons of staff development days

**Staff Development Days** — Each year the Board of Education grants a certain number of days for teachers to meet at their schools to discuss, plan, and learn together. These days are called "staff development days" or "inservice days" or "release days." Students stay at home while the staff works on new curriculum or other current matters. Typically, teachers group themselves by grade level or subject matter. Studying issues of common interest, they develop ideas for improving their programs. On this day, as one teacher tells her fourth-graders, "the teachers go to school."

Parents sometimes ask why teachers must interrupt the school schedule for staff devel-

opment days. Among working parents, scrambling for childcare on those days can present a hardship. Even with an adult at home during the day, parents may worry about the disruption of their child's learning. On another level, changing an established schedule irritates many people.

Teachers know these drawbacks. Staff development days are often attached to vacation days, to minimize disruption for both parent and child. However, as teachers point out, schools must be responsive to new conditions, requirements, and situations. Taking a day to study diversity issues, as Marin School has done, for example, results in quicker adjustments of teaching methods than could be

hoped for otherwise. And some matters cannot wait for summer resolution.

In fact, summer is not a good time for staff development, teachers say. Teachers attend various institutes and conferences during the summer and bring their insights from these events back to school. However, only during the school year can staff routinely gather as a cohesive group, discussing site-related issues.

Next Monday, April 17, is a staff development day in Albany. At the Middle School the teachers will be working on curriculum, including 6th grade science, 7th grade writing, and 8th grade math and language arts projects. At Marin School, staff will continue work from a previous inservice day that examined diversity issues. In a morning session teachers will focus on state requirements for inclusion of special education students in general classrooms. In the afternoon they will participate, with a facilitator's help, in a workshop that will tailor these ideas to Marin students' needs.

These examples show the wide range of subjects studied in a staff development day. All days are planned to efficiently use the limited time available.

Discussion of next year's staff development calendar will take place at a future Board of Education meeting. Interested parents should check the agendas posted at the District Office, 904 Talbot Ave., and at the Albany Library. These agendas, issued several days in advance of each School Board meeting, list all matters scheduled to come before the Board.

**Marin School's Facilities Committee** will meet April 18 at 7 p.m. in the library. All interested people are invited.

The next PTA Council meeting is Monday, April 24, at 7:30 p.m. Site is yet to be determined; I'll list it here next week.

Middle School's Open House and Book Fair is coming April 27. The Book Fair, which raises money for purchasing library books, will also be held the mornings of April 26 and April 28. On April 27, the Book Fair is open from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m. New, high-quality hardbacks and paperbacks will be sold.

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What really decided it was when, early in her senior year, one of her professors, who was a pronunciation consultant for Random House, found a job for her there. She worked part time during the school year and full time during the breaks.

"For the first two or three weeks I mostly read manuals and style regulations, and learned what it was all about." All during that year and in the summer she worked on the "original unabridged" and the college editions.

After that job ended, she didn't do anything that had to do with dictionaries for some years, but she stayed in touch with the woman who had been her boss and her mentor. During this dictionaryless time she married, lived in North Carolina for a couple of years, and then back to New York.

When she and husband Kim returned to New York, Random House was doing a second edition of the unabridged, and Houghton Mifflin was doing the American Heritage. Her mentor recommended her, and she worked for Houghton Mifflin for a couple of years and then for Random House for four or five years, and then on the

## Community Folk

By Clara Rae Genser



American Heritage third edition.

A great deal of what she has done and is doing is pronunciation, and she showed me some of the many dictionaries in her library, with her name as assistant editor, usually in this connection.

She is working on a computer project on difficult-to-pronounce words, and other small projects. She has also been hired to work on Pronouncing Dictionaries for Proper Names, and on the Oxford English Dictionary, which has decided to do an Americanized Oxford Pocket Dictionary. At the present time she is working on the second edition of the Pronouncing Dictionary.

Rima works from her Albany home. She shares the den in their home with husband Kim, a forensic psychologist, who also does a great deal of his work in his home (we wrote about him some time ago. At the time he was in the midst of several interesting cases). Says Rima, we both sort of fill little niches in the world.

She talks about how she works and what she does. When doing new editions and adding words, she says, everything in and about the word needs to be looked at. Words change, meanings change, and pronunciations change. But they change very slowly. "It is a conservative field."

"I will get a list of words and their definitions, and if they are in the general vocabulary I will very often know them, and they will require some, but not a lot, of research. But more often when adding words they are technical: computer, medical, economical, geographical, political, religious, and so forth. I then have to spend a lot of time on the telephone." First, she says, she looks in other dictionaries, then come the phone calls. "Because modern dictionaries are primarily descriptive rather than prescriptive, so it is how people

say the word, describing the way it is spoken. Proper pronunciation of computer terms is how people in the computer industry say them. It must be non-regional, non-accented. And she can hear the differences. "They hire me because of my ear," she says.

If they are foreign terms, she calls embassies and consulates, plus whatever other sources she can find. Sometimes it is more difficult than others.

How long does it take to put a dictionary together? Of course the unabridged takes longer. The American Heritage Third took about four or five years, while the Random House unabridged took ten years.

There aren't that many people who work on dictionaries, she tells us. It isn't unusual to go from dictionary to dictionary. There are probably only about a dozen people who work on pronunciation.

Says Rima, "I have been very lucky to have been able to keep at it for so long." And she adds, "What I really like about what I do is drawing on any interests I have ever had. I utilize everything I have ever known. Everything and everybody. So I know a little bit about almost everything and I don't know a lot about anything."

And she finishes with: "Mostly I like what's in the parentheses."

Rima is a delightful person. We visited as much as we interviewed. But that's what makes this work fun. And I learn so much! Now you and I know all about lexicographers.

Remember, it is up to you to give me your ideas: interesting people, events, organizations, etc. Please write to me at 555 Pierce St., #443, Albany, CA 94706, or call 525-4585.

## Eye on business

### Beware of limits on personal information

Most businessmen — or, for that matter, their customers — probably don't realize that there are two California laws which sharply limit the personal information that can be collected when a person pays by credit card or check.

When a customer pays with a credit card, merchants can not request or require the consumer to write any personal information — including their address or telephone number — on any form associated with the transaction.

In addition, the merchant can not ask the customer to provide personal information which he then records, nor can he use forms with pre-printed spaces for personal information.

The businessman can, however, collect personal information when the credit card is used as a deposit or for a cash advance.

Personal information also can be collected when it is needed for something incidental but not related to the use of the credit card — such as the address to which the purchase is to be shipped.

Businessmen are also free to inquire when they are required by contract to collect personal information for the credit card issuer. For example, some gasoline companies that issue their own credit cards require their stations to collect personal information.

In addition, merchants can require a customer who wants to

pay by credit card to show some form of identification, such as a California driver's license or ID card. However, the merchant can not record any information from these documents.

Merchants who accept checks in payment for goods or services sold or leased at retail can not:

Require or record a credit card number in connection with any part of the transaction.

Require the customer to sign a statement agreeing to allow his credit card to be charged to cover the check in case it bounces.

Contact the customer's credit card issuer to find out if the amount of credit available will cover the amount of the check.

The merchant can request and record a credit card number when the check is used solely to obtain cash, used as a deposit, or used to make a payment on that credit card account.

When a merchant accepts a check for goods or services sold or leased at retail, he can request the customer to voluntarily show a credit card, and he must inform the customer that the card is not required to write a check.

If the customer chooses to produce a credit card, the only information the merchants can record is the type of credit card, the issuer and the expiration date. The credit card number can not be recorded on the check.

In the case of payment by check, the merchants can:

Require the customer to show

and record identification

a driver's license.

Require, verify, and record the customer's name, address, and telephone number.

Require a check guarantee and record the number, and card is also a credit card.

Merchants who break these rules can be fined up to the first violation and \$100 for each subsequent violation.

A customer who has a credit card or check and a person he has done business with has broken these laws can sue in small claims court or — if he feels it has happened to other customers — can file a class action suit.

Another option is for the customer to file a complaint with the Attorney General, the Attorney, or the City Attorney, who, if several complaints are received, can choose to sue the merchant on behalf of the residents in superior court.

Wallet-sized cards limiters stating information on limits under these two laws — 5-by-8-inch placards — businesses can post to their clerks and customers of provisions — have been developed by an organization called Privacy Rights Clearinghouse.

Copies of either may be obtained free of charge by contacting the El Centro Office of Commerce, 10848 State Ave., El Cerrito 94530, or telephoning 233-7040.

### Contra Costa County Library report available

The Contra Costa County Library has just issued its 1994 Annual Report which shows the major highlights of the year, such as:

- Measure B, a \$15 library parcel tax, failed although it received 61 percent of the votes.
- Due to the generosity of many cities and friends groups, open hours were extended at many branches.
- Volunteers contributed over 34,000 hours.
- Project Second Chance, the

library's literacy program, celebrated its 10th anniversary.

• Self-checkout machines were installed at the five branches with the highest circulation.

• The Internet was made available for the public at eight libraries through a grant provided by the State Library.

• The library received \$120,000 in state grant funds to purchase resources to assist job seekers, and support small business development and business information needs.

• The Bay Point Homeless Center, a joint project of the County and the Mt. Diablo School District, was expanded to provide service five days a week, and \$94,000 grant received by the State Library.

The Annual Report is available at all Contra Costa County Libraries and is designed as a booklet used all year long to remind users of how valuable their library is to them. To obtain a copy report, call 1-800-984-1070.

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# Solano Avenue Association News

## Special lunch features earthquake tips

**Lisa Bullwinkel**  
Executive Director

Thanks to the Journal, the Solano Avenue Association (SAA) will now have a column every month!

April is Earthquake Awareness Month and the SAA is hosting a special luncheon presentation for the business community on "How Your Business Will Survive the Quake." All are invited on Friday, April 28, from noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Albany Community Center, 1247 Marin Avenue. Earthquake Preparedness presentations from the state and counties of Albany and Berkeley will brush everyone up on this hot topic. The Earthquake Relief Fund will have special business-oriented supplies on hand for sale. Solano Cellars will cater the luncheon which is \$10 in advance or \$15 the door.

Members of the Berkeley and

Albany Police departments met with members of the SAA at a breakfast meeting at Cafe Crayon on Solano Avenue to present ways of dealing with unwanted activity in front of their stores.

Not wanting to wait until the situation was too bad, the police had positive solutions for merchant action. It was emphasized that those wishing to help people on the street should purchase Berkeley Cares vouchers rather than give cash.

The Solano Stroll will be held on Sunday, Sept. 10. This year's theme will be "Marvelous Masks." Wes "Scoop" Nisker of radio fame has agreed to be our grand marshal. Watch for your merchant questionnaire (if you have a business on Solano) in June.

There is currently a Solano Stroll T-shirt & Poster Design Contest in the public schools. Half Price Books will give the winner \$100, the encouraging

teacher \$50, and the school's library \$50. So get your kids to enter!

If all goes according to plan, Solano Avenue will sport lively seasonal banners on the street light poles. The SAA has submitted a proposal to the Lighting and Landscaping Commission of Albany to include the funding in next year's budget.

Do you hold a class in your business on Solano Avenue? Please let us know so we can help you advertise.

The SAA Board of Directors is open to all who would like to have some input into the business climate on Solano Avenue. It meets alternate Wednesdays, 8:45 to 9:45 a.m., at Mechanics Bank, 801 San Pablo Ave. Membership in the SAA is open to any business within one block of Solano Avenue and any interested individuals. More info: 527-5358.

## California Bike Commute... Albany Bikes! - May 4, 1995

Join thousands of California cyclists for the state's largest event of this kind. Meet fellow cyclists at "pit stops" in Albany the morning of the event. Registration is **free** and qualifies you for prizes. Register now for details. (527-2284 for more information)

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## Albany Unified School District ponders creek restoration

By Shannon Morgan

ALBANY - Attempting to encourage restoration of Cerritos Creek at the future Albany Middle School site, local creek experts made their case before the School Board March 30.

Earl Cummings, of the State Department of Water Resources, and others, made a short presentation before the board to explain how creek restoration works.

A key component, he said, is community support.

"If really needs to have a strong grass roots basis. You really can't have a design firm design this for you until you have all the issues worked out," he said.

A myriad of issues related to the topic is exactly what the district has to deal with.

According to Superintendent Dale Hudson the creek, currently culverted underground, runs between the Hill Lumber site and Cougar field, with a section believed to extend under the track area.

Board Vice President Allan Riffer said that in itself may kill the idea.

"I don't think we would want to restore the creek if, in fact, it's underneath the track. If we're moving the creek is that really what mother nature intended?" he said.

Another cause for concern is the amount of space that would need to be devoted to the creek.

"There was concern about the space it would take up. It's pretty

clear this is not going to be a thin ribbon," Hudson said of District Facilities Planning Committee discussions on the subject.

In addition, the State Department of Education expressed concern in January about the constraints of building a middle school on the 3.8 acre site.

"I think they (presentors at the meeting) did a good job, though I'm not sure how the state is going to look at it. When they gave us approval in January they referred to

Kramer, education director at the San Francisco Estuary Institute.

Mandi Billinge, of the Estuary Action Challenge Program operating at John Muir Elementary School in Berkeley, said the restored creek there is vital.

"It's really a wonderful asset to the school. It's real life learning to the students. They get a lot of science with monitoring activities and we've had a lot of support from the community," she said.

Student representative Moira Hess spoke from personal experience when she supported the idea at the March 30 meeting.

"We were in and out of creeks all the time. It was terrific. We did tests, talked about ecosystems and erosion. We were third graders but we felt like big scientists down there," she said. But other issues the district must face include where funding for such a project might be found and safety liabilities the district would incur if the project is completed.

"The concern in this area is during stormy weather. It's fairly routine to have the sewer system fail and have sewage going into stream beds," Boardmember Ed McManus said.

Environmentalists, on the other hand, contend that open creek systems are better at handling heavy rains than a culverted stream.

While a decision on the subject is months, if not years, away, Hudson said the issues will be debated by various committee examining the middle school site before the board takes a position.

**'There was concern about the amount of space it would take.'**

—DALE HUDSON, SUPERINTENDENT

the small size of the lot and indicated they wanted to be kept apprised for the planning because they want to be assured that a maximum amount of acreage is devoted to the school," Hudson said.

Those working with restored creeks in local schools, however, contend that, rather than taking away from the school, creeks add to educational opportunities.

"I've had teachers say it's the best way to teach about science and English. What can be better than to have students write about experiences they've had," said Cathy

## Albany preschool enrollment open

Enrollment is now open to children of ages 2.9 years to 5 years for Albany Preschool's summer programs.

Activities include exploring water, sand, art, music, cooking, games and gardening. Preference is given to Albany residents.

The morning parent cooperative program is five days per week, and

goes from 9 a.m. to noon. The afternoon program (non-parent participation) has 3, 4 and 5 days per week options, and goes from noon until 3 p.m.

Session I is June 26 through July 21, and Session II is July 24 through Aug. 18.

The tuition for the morning program is \$150 for each session; the

tuition for the afternoon program is \$130, \$170 and \$210 for each session, respectively, for the 3, 4 and 5 days per week options. Both programs require a \$30 deposit per session.

For more information contact the preschool's director, Maureen Beck, at 527-6403, Monday through Friday, between 2 p.m. and 3 p.m.

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## Goings on About Town

### Performances

**Actor's Ensemble:** of Berkeley presents "Lady in the Dark," a musical by Kurt Weill, Ira Gershwin and Moss Hart, directed by Andrea Pruseau; through May 6; Live Oak Theatre, 1301 Shattuck (at Berryman), Berkeley, 528-5620.

**Ashkenaz:** April 13, 9 p.m. Wil Johnson acoustic guitar; 9:30 p.m. Joanne Rand and the Little Big Band; April 14, 9:30 p.m.: Ivson and Grupo Gosto; April 15, 9:30 p.m.: California Cajun Orchestra with Danny Poulard; April 18, 8 p.m.: folkdance lesson; 9:30 p.m.: Rumeli, music of the southern balkans; April 19, 9 p.m.: Aux Cajunals; April 20, 9 p.m.: Gumbo Band; 1317 San Pablo, Berkeley, 525-5054.

**Berkeley Community Chorus and Orchestra:** Invites singers who have sung Bach's "B Minor Mass" to perform June 11. Five rehearsals begin May 16; tuition \$50, 525-5393.

**Berkeley Repertory Theatre:** "A Moon for the Misbegotten," Tues. through Sat. performances, matinees at 2 p.m., Sats and Thurs. Until May 19, 2025 Addison St., Berkeley, 845-4700.

**Ensemble Alcatraz:** April 14, 8 p.m.: A program of medieval music from the 12th-14th centuries with Cheryl Fulton, Peter Maund, Shira Kammien, Susan Rose Morris and Kit Higginson. New Pieces, 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley, 527-6779.

**The Fantasticks:** Through May 27: Whimsical variation on "Romeo and Juliet"; and the longest-running musical in the world; music by Harvey Schmidt, directed by Lindi Bauman; Fri and Sat performances at 8 p.m.; Sun. matinees at 2 p.m.; Contra Costa Civic Theatre, 951 Pomona Ave., El Cerrito 524-9132.

**Freight & Salvage Coffee House:** Music at 8 p.m., Sun.-Thurs.; 8:30 p.m. Fri. and Sat.; 1111 Addison St., Berkeley, 548-1761.

**Hertz Hall:** April 19, noon: Stravinsky Ensemble, Kim Rankin, conductor; "L'Histoire du soldat." On campus near College Ave. and Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 642-9988.

**In The Game:** Puppet show starring Morris the Moose and Boris the Bear; with puppeteer Linda Zittel; after-school workshop for kids 5 and older; April 13, 7 p.m.: Claremont Branch; April 14, 3:30 p.m.: North Branch; April 19, 3:30 p.m.: West Branch.

**Kimball's east:** April 14-16, 8 and 10 p.m.: Ohio Players; 5800 Shellmound St., Emeryville, 658-2555.

**La Peña Cultural Center:** April 13, 8 p.m. Rebel Voices, acoustic duo Janet Stecher and Susan Lewis from Seattle; April 14, 9:30 p.m.: Quishia Paradox; new CD release; April 15, 7:30 p.m.: Video Premiere: *Estado del Tiempo*, by director Luis Felipe Bernaza; April 19, 7 p.m.: "Violence and Community Mental Health: A Look at Trends Across Borders," with Adrienne Aron, Rosie Reyes, and Matt Wettlauffer; April 20, 7 p.m.: R & B Explosion, produced by D.W.B. Productions; Saturday Morning Children's Players, 10:30 a.m.; 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 849-2568, ext. 15.

**Poetry at Cody's:** April 18, 7:30 a.m.: Edward Smallfield, Toni Morisrich and Charlotte Muse. \$2.00 donation; 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley, 525-5476.

**Simply Heavenly!** April 20-May 27, Thurs and Fridays at 8 p.m.: Sats at 2:30 and 8 p.m.: Book and lyrics by Langston Hughes, music by Ramon Bowden and Janier Pruitt, directed by Mel Stewart, presented by the Black Repertory Group; 1201 Adeline St., Berkeley.

**Shotgun Players:** Through May 6, dinner seating 8 p.m.: Marlowe's "The Tragical Historie of Dr. Faustus." Directed by Patrick Dooley; La Val's Subterranean Theater, runs 1834 Euclid Ave. at Hearst, Berkeley, 845-6624.

**Starry Plough:** April 13, Soul Divine, Hail Marys Following May; April 4, Neil Diamond Tribute; April 15, Durham, Brillantines, Chris Von

Sneidern; April 16, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.: Easter Commemorative Breakfast with music by the Claddah Band; after 8:30 p.m., music by The Rugburns; April 19, Darts; April 20, Package, Plastic Sun Sensitive Locksmith; Tuesdays, Traditional Irish Music/Lessons; Wednesdays, Cabaret/Open Mike, 7:30 p.m. Music starts Thursday through Saturday, 9:30 p.m.; Sunday, 8 p.m. 3101 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 841-2082.

### Religious Activities

**The Church of Jesus Christ:** of Latter-day Saints: April 16, 7 p.m.: Easter Program with an invitation to follow Christ; 1501 Walnut St., Berkeley, (415) 772-8725.

**First Unitarian Church:** April 16, 9:30 a.m.: "The Post-Resurrection Jesus: Does He Have Any Redeeming Qualities?" With Martin Choate; 10:45 a.m.: Gloria, with music director Eric Howe and the FUCB Chancel Choir; Easter Celebration. One Lawson Rd., Kensington. 525-0302.

**Berkeley Richmond Jewish Community Center:** April 15, 7 p.m.: Second Night Community Passover Seder with Jonathan Seidel. Tickets range from \$10 - 35. 1414 Walnut St., Berkeley; 848-0237.

**Berkeley Hillel:** April 14, 7:30 p.m.: Passover Seder, led by Rabbi Rona Shapiro; 16, 7-10 p.m.: Union of Jewish Graduate Students kosher-for-Passover dinner and silly games; April 19, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.: Sather Gate, Independence Day Caravan with food, music, arts and more; 7 p.m.: Jewish student council meeting; Every week: Friday nights, 5:30 p.m.: "Sing-a-long"; Sundays, 7 p.m.: Israel Action Committee Meetings; Mondays, 7 p.m.: meditation; Wednesdays, 4 p.m.: De-Cal Class: Zionism. 2736 Bancroft Way, 845-7793.

**Northbrae Community Church:** April 16, 9 a.m.: Buffet breakfast; 9:30 and 11 a.m. identical worship services with Rev. David Sugarbaker; all community children invited to Easter egg hunt on the front lawn at 10:30 a.m.; Easter Crafts at 11:20 a.m.; 941 The Alameda, Berkeley, 526-3805.

**Presbyterian Women:** April 13, 11:30-2 p.m.: special film "Canine Companions for Independence"; St. John's Presbyterian Church, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley, 527-3052 or 848-1350.

**St. Alban's Episcopal Church:** April 13, 6:30 p.m.: "Agape" dinner, followed by 7:30 p.m. service and foot washing in commemoration of the Last Supper; April 14, Good Friday Services, 12-3 p.m. held at the First Baptist Church, Solano Ave.; 7:30 p.m. Service at St. Alban's; April 15, 8 p.m.: Great Vigil of Easter joint service with Holy Trinity at St. Alban's; April 16: Easter Service with Rev. James Stickney 1501 Washington Ave., Albany, 525-1716.

**The 5:45:** Evening worship service with contemporary Christian praise music, conversation and refreshment. Every Sunday at First Presbyterian Church of Berkeley, 2407 Dana St., Berkeley, 848-6252.

### Meetings, Classes, Lectures and other events

**Allegro Dancers:** Ballroom dances and instruction; Dance parties: Thurs. and Sun. afternoons and Thurs., Fri, Sat. nights. 524-9199.

**Basic Compost Workshop:** April 17, 7-8:30 p.m.: Hands-on class: How to compost yard and kitchen waste; sponsored by the Alameda County Waste Management Authority Home Composting Program; Garden Center Building, Lakeside Park; Bellvue Ave. off Grand Ave., Oakland; call the "Rotline" at 635-6275.

**Berkeley Earth Day:** April 22, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.: celebrate the 25th anniversary of the national celebration in Martin Luther King Park, Allston and MLK Jr. Way; Eco-Motion Parade at 11 a.m.; volunteers needed - 548-7377.

**Berkeley Folk Dancers:** International folk dance lessons. Beginners class: Tuesdays, 7:45-9:45 p.m. Classes for other levels available. 1301 Shattuck at Berryman, Berkeley, 527-2491.

**Berkeley High School:** Class of 1985 is looking for graduates for its 10 year reunion. Write: BHS Class of '85 Reunion, 1928 Bush Ave., San Pablo, CA 84806.

**Berkeley Hiking Club:** April 16, 8:30 a.m.: Sunol Regional Wilderness, 843-5738; 9 a.m.: Mini Hike, Abbott's Lagoon, 525-0839.

**Birthdays:** April 14 - June 30, 10-11:30 a.m.: Mothers Group; April 15, 10-11 a.m. Sibling Preparation, 869-2797.

**Black Oak Books:** April 13, Bia Lowe, *Wild Ride*; April 19, David Long, with *Blue Spruce*; April 20, Jacques Leslie with *The Mark: A Memoir of Vietnam*; All events 7:30 p.m. 1491 Shattuck Ave at Vine, Berkeley, 486-0698.

**CCFV's 53rd Annual Meeting:** (Co-operative Center Federal Union) April 20, 4 p.m. mini co-op Fair; 5:45 p.m. meeting; St. John's Center, Hunter Hall, 2727 College Ave., Berkeley.

**College Night:** April 20, 7:15 - 9 p.m.: Berkeley High PTSA invited counselors Charlene Calvert and Dan Dean, vice principal Ron Rosenbaum and college consultants Trish Hawthorne and Edith Zinn to help demystify the college application process; BHS Library, 2nd floor B. Building.

**Cal Earth Day Fair:** April 13, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.: educational and interactive fair with booths and displays; live music, speakers, huge visuals and guerrilla theatre; Lower Sproul Plaza, UC Berkeley.

**Center for Psychological Studies:** April 14, 12-1:30 p.m.: "Money is Thicker Than Blood: The Family and Inheritance" with Neal Blumenfeld, MD. 1398 Solano Ave., Albany, 524-0291.

**Cleanup Days:** Featuring Berkeley city staff and volunteers working in teams to paint out graffiti, clean sidewalks, pick up trash and plant flowers. April 22, 8:30 a.m.: West Berkeley - meet at Smart & Final Parking lot, 1941 San Pablo and University Ave.

**Co-op Camp:** July 1-8 and 8-15 at Camp Sierra, July 29-Aug. 5 at Cazadero; for traditional and nontraditional parents, families and singles; write: 1442 A. Walnut St., STE 415, Berkeley.

**Cody's Books:** April 13, André Brecard, *The Computer Privacy Handbook: A Practical Guide to E-Mail Encryption, Data Protection and PGP Privacy Software*; April 19, Sandra Cisneros, *Loose Woman*; April 20, Deborah Meier, *The Power of Their Ideas: Lessons for America From a Small School in Harlem*; All events 7:30 p.m., unless noted. 2454 Telegraph Ave., Berkeley, 845-7852.

**Collegiate Jazz Festival:** 21st year: April 21 and 22, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., featuring 60 big bands, small ensembles and vocal jazz groups from colleges and universities in the western U.S.; tickets available at Cal Performances; 642-9988.

**Contra Costa Hills Club:** April 13, 10 a.m.: Six Mile Walk in Orinda Hills, 376-5352; April 16, 10 a.m.: Six mile

hike on Mt. Diablo, call 841-9029; April 20, 9 a.m.: Eight Mile Hilly Look Hike in Lake Chabot Regional Park, call 562-2647 or 782-0786. April 22, luncheon banquet to celebrate 75th anniversary. 524-7803.

**Contract Bridge:** Berkeley-El Cerrito-Richmond League unit has duplicate bridge games at several times and places. 232-6689 or 526-1767.

**Creek Restoration:** April 16, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.: Restore "Ganesh", the rainbow trout mascot in preparation for Berkeley's Earth Day; East Bay Citizens for Creek Restoration; 448 48th St., Oakland, 601-1399.

**Dance Classes for Adults:** On-going ballet, modern, jazz and floor barre classes at the Shawl-Anderson Dance Center, 2704 Alcatraz Ave., Berkeley, 654-5921.

**Easy Going:** April 18, 7:30 p.m.: Rasa Gustaitis and Jerry Emory introduce the new *San Francisco Bay Shoreline Guide*; slideshow; April 19, 7:30 p.m.: *Utah's Canyons of Color* with author Gary Paul Nabhan; free admission; 1385 Shattuck at Rose; Berkeley, 843-3533.

**East Bay Collectors:** For those interested in philately and philatelic literature and related topics; meetings first and third Thursdays of each month, 7 p.m.: Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda, 655-7827.

**El Cerrito Garden Club:** April 13, 9 a.m.: "Spring Flower Festival"; Rebecca Byron, herb specialist will speak; Community Center; 7007 Moeser Lane, El Cerrito, 233-9201.

**Empowering Women of Color:** Conference April 22, 9 a.m. - 7 p.m.; \$7.00/ students, \$10 nonstudents; Speakers will be Angela Davis and Chrystos. Pacific Film Archive, 642-1412.

**GAIA Bookstore:** April 13, Kane Katz, multi-media: *Messengers of the Wind*; April 13-15, Thurs evening, all day Sat and Sun: The Environmental Spirit: Past Present and Prospects: Symposium & Conference marking the 25th anniversary of Earth Day; April 17, Carol Adrienne, *The Celestine Prophecy Experiential Guide*; April 18, Ken Norwood and Kathleen Smith, *Rebuilding Community in America: Housing for Ecological Living, Personal Empowerment and the New Extended Family*; April 20, Maya Tiwari, *Ayurveda: The Complete Guide to Ayurvedic Nutrition & Body Types with Recipes*; All events at 7:30 p.m.; 1400 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, 548-4172.

**The Grizzly Peak Cyclists:** Offer a series of rides on consecutive weekends for beginning cyclists: April 15, Orinda; April 23, Grizzly Peak to San Pablo Dam; April 30, Walnut Creek to Pleasanton. 845-8613 or 652-2042 for more information.

**HAPA Issues Forum:** April 15, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.: Second Annual Conference: "Multiracial Asian Pacific Americans: Experience, Identity, Community"; 145 Dwinelle Hall, UC Berkeley campus; 846-5859.

**International Taoist Society:** April 29-30; May 6-7 course teaching the Lee Family System; \$60/day or \$200/4 days;

Contact P.O. Box 14881, Berkeley, 94712-5881 for details.

**Kensington Senior Center:** April 13, Jackie Hetman shows slides on Sardinia; April 20, Blanch Jaggi, LCSW, presents "Music and our Emotions - the Story of Clara Schumann", illustrations on the piano; Both at 11 a.m.; Arlington Community Church, 52 Arlington, 526-9146.

**New Pieces Classes:** April 20 - May 18, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.: Intermediate Machine Quilting; 1597 Solano Ave., Berkeley, 527-6779.

**North Berkeley Senior Center:** April 13, movie: "Desperate Men"; April 14, video opera "Die Walkure" Part I; Events at 1 p.m.; Income Tax help through April 15. 1901 Hearst/MLK Jr. Way, Call 644-6107.

**Out, Loud and Proud:** Through April 14: Second annual Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Health Series; Tang Center, 2222 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 642-0298.

**Pacific Film Archive:** "The Ministry of Illusion" German films, 1933-45; American Cultures - Mondays; Alternative Visions - Tuesdays; Video Works - Wednesdays; Film 50: History of Film - Wednesdays, 3 p.m. 2625 Durant Ave., Berkeley, Call 642-1124.

**Reforming the High School:** April 20, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.: Why and How with Deborah Meier, founding force behind the Central Park East Secondary School and recipient of the MacArthur "genius" award; Berkeley High School Library Media Center, 2246 Milvia St.; Cody's Books 7:30 p.m.; April 22 workshop at UC School of Education, Tolman Hall, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.; reserve space: 644-6857.

**REI:** April 13, 7 p.m.: "The ABC's of Rock Climbing" with Garth Allen and Ed Noerding of Sonora Pass Mountaineering School; April 20, 7 p.m.: Sierra Wilderness Seminars' Tim Keating will share slides and info and climbing and skiing Mt. Shasta; Indoor Climbing School starts April 24, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. 1338 San Pablo Ave., Berkeley, 527-4140.

**RN First Assistant Program:** May 19 - 21; June 9 - 11 through UCLA Extension; at the Berkeley Marina Marriott Hotel. Enrollment fee is \$1,250. Call (310) 825-6701 for info.

**Tax Forms:** File by April 15! Pickup forms at the Berkeley Public Library. Free tax preparation assistance through April 15, 10 - 2:00 p.m. at the Central, North, South and West Branches.

**Twilight Storytime Series:** Preschool series for ages 3-6 years runs through May 10 on Wednesday evenings, 7 p.m. Albany Library. To register: 526-3720.

**Turning Point Career Center:** \$3.00 fee. University YWCA. 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 848-6370.

**UAM/PFA:** April 20, 7 p.m.: "The Fabric of Life in the South Pacific Islands" lecture with John Barker, University of British Columbia, leading authority on the Māori People of Papua New Guinea; 160 Kroeber Hall, UC Berkeley campus; 642-8344.

**University Avenue:** Workshop Two: April 20, 4-6 p.m. West Berkeley Senior Center, 644-6534.

**Video Contest:** For children. Children's Media Lab and the Berkeley Public Library want videos for the TAKE IT TO THE CLASSROOMS deadline May 15. To contact 1442A Walnut St., STE 415, Berkeley, 94709 or call 223-6528.

**Vista College Business:** April 22, 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on campus. April 22: "Doing Business in 2020 Milvia St., Berkeley, 527-6779, ext. 271.

**"Week of the Young Child":** April 23 - 29; display children's art throughout the community and support for the federal social program. Interested Berkeley residents volunteer a section of their yard by calling 549-7002 or 549-1789 this week.

**YWCA:** April 18, 12 - 1 p.m.: Teaching Career Without a Credential" with guest speaker Bananas, a Childcare Referral Agency; 2600 Bancroft Way, Berkeley, 848-6370.

### Exhibits

**16th Annual Quilt Show:** May 6: Free exhibition of new quilts; Berkeley Public Library Branch; 1170 The Alameda, Berkeley, 644-6850.

**Albany Arts Gallery:** "Chemistry," Photographer William Jolly's premiere exhibition Chromoskedastic Solarizations runs through April 18. 1251 Solano Ave., Albany, 526-9558.

**Albany Community Center:** Garcia and Greg Jalbert. Through April 12. 1249 Marin Ave., Albany, 9283.

**Apples!** An exhibit of large photographs by the Image Circle photographers, under the guidance of Levitt Mayers. On display at the Restaurant until mid-May. Fairmount Ave., El Cerrito.

**Berkeley Art Center:** Shows by 10 women artists in celebration of International Women's Day and of women's suffrage; through April 12. 1275 Walnut St., Berkeley, 526-3720.

**Berkeley Historical Society:** 20 and on-going, Thurs. - Sat., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.: "A Unique Legacy: The American Experience in Berkeley - 1995"; photos, memorabilia, programs; free; Veterans' Building Center, 848-0181.


**East Bay Women Artists:** May 10 at the Alta Bates Medical Art Gallery. 2450 Ashby Ave., Berkeley, 848-6370.

**ECOA Gallery:** April 17-18: "Choice" show by members; drawings in all media and subject matter; Moeser Lane, El Cerrito.

**The Flare Gallery:** The end of April: Oil paintings, etchings, monotypes by artist George Goldberg; 2599 Eighth St., Alameda, 540-7843.

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# El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce

By Sewall Glinertnick

## Busy month ahead for chamber members

On April 24 luncheon of the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce will take place at noon at the Cerrito City Center, featuring Art Lobato, relations for Golden Gate Pacific Racing Association, as the afternoon's speaker.

Members will familiarize themselves with the aspects of "Race" a month ahead of the chamber's annual VIP Day Races, May 17, with the going fast. If interested in annual social event, call at 233-7040. RSVP is also for the luncheon.

Staffed by calling staff by April the cost is \$10 per person. Two Membership Mixers are offered this month with first, April 13, a joint mixer with Richmond Chamber of Commerce, 5 to 7 p.m., at the Costa College Three Restaurant, the gourmet dining school.

The April 19 Mixer will be by new member Access Care, Navid Bahrami, & Associates, in their new offices in Del Norte Place, near Knott and San Pablo streets, the time 5:30 to 7 p.m. Participation in these which the hosts take time

and effort to prepare for us and a courteous "drop in" would be in order to give them support for these efforts.

The El Cerrito Chamber is joining with the City of El Cerrito, the school district, El Cerrito Library, two city commissions, and the Integrated Waste Management Task Force in sponsoring Earth Day 1995 on April 22.

On that day, we're asking all Chamber members to make a special effort to "spruce up" the area around their places of business. City representatives will be delivering posters which local school children will have prepared for placement in El Cerrito stores regarding this very important event. Work crews will be rewarded with an old-fashioned cook-out at the community center, by reservation only.

The El Cerrito Chamber is welcoming new member Martin Ahmed of Martin and Associates, accounting and tax services. This new business is located at 10749 San Pablo Ave., telephone 528-3434. Others being welcomed are Antonio Dal Bianco, Piazza Fontana Italian Restaurant at 385 Colusa Ave., Kensington, in

the former Narsai David and Ali's restaurant site, telephone 526-1500, and Thomas Davies of Piggys Pizza and Ribs, reopening at 11299 San Pablo Ave. in the Del Norte Place, telephone 234-8484 for take-out.

"El Cerrito is up and coming!"

So says real estate broker Carolyn Sells of Century 21 Sells Group, one of the newest firms to join the El Cerrito Chamber of Commerce.

"El Cerrito," she declares, "has always been a good bedroom community for the Bay Area — given its good location and good schools. I live here myself."

"El Cerrito's proximity to San Francisco and the quality of life here does much to enhance the future of real estate values here. The revitalization of this city — which is just getting underway — will just sweeten the pot."

The recent opening of the new Century 21 office at 11175 San Pablo Ave. was described by Mrs. Sells as her "50th birthday present" from her husband, Harry.



(Left to right) Mayor Norman La Force, Carolyn Sells, Harry Sells and President Vera Boyovich.

She added that she had long felt that El Cerrito was the focal point of a fine residential area — just the kind of market she wanted to serve.

The large amount of walk-in traffic the new office has already attracted, Sells declares, "certainly justifies our decision to locate here."

She attributes the early success of the new office here to

the power that the Century 21 name commands.

"Century 21 has national connections with offices in practically every little town in America. The power of its name attracts buyers," Sells points out.

"People moving here from across the country have more confidence when their Century 21 office refers them to a local

Century 21.

"If I had known how truly powerful the name was, I would have bought a Century 21 franchise five years earlier."

Assisting her at the new El Cerrito office will be 10 veteran agents and 10 recently licensed agents. Many of the staff know the local real estate market well, having sold property here for several years.

"We have put together a fine staff of some of the area's best professional agents who are committed to being 'Your Neighborhood Professionals,'" Sells explains.

"Our goal will be to make the sale or purchase of a home as stress-free as possible by offering each client full, quality service. We will devote ourselves to finding out what each individual client's needs are, and then filling them."

Not only does the new El Cerrito firm offer in-house financing, it also maintains an on-site real estate school.

The school, open to anyone interested in getting into real estate, offers an ongoing 45-hour video course with instruction personally supervised by Mrs. Sells.

Some 97 percent of the school's students have successfully passed the examination for their state real estate license.

Mrs. Sells obtained her real estate license in March, 1983, and became a broker in 1985. In March of 1989 she opened her own office at Hilltop, and in June of 1993 took on the Century 21 affiliation.

In commenting on the opening of her second office here, she declares: "El Cerrito is an exciting place to be — and we're glad to be here."

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## Chasing the dream

**Hammer Time:** It was no walk on the beach for the pioneering black major leaguers who followed in Jackie Robinson's footsteps. Just ask The Hammer — Hank Aaron. He missed the bus to Milwaukee Braves' spring-training camp in Florida one day, tried to hop the fence to get into the player dormitory — and a guard shot at him! Good thing the guard wasn't a better shot.

A new documentary narrated by Aaron, **"Hank Aaron: Chasing The Dream,"** debuted last night at 5:05 (repeating at 7:05) on WTBS. It's full of incidents like that above, making the viewer all the more disgusted by the spoiled brats — of all races — playing the game today.

The documentary commemorates this week's 20th anniversary of Aaron's breaking Babe Ruth's all-time home run record of 714. It's largely about the fear Aaron and his family were subjected to while he was pursuing Ruth's record. I'd forgotten about the hate mail and death threats Aaron and his loved ones got.

Aaron has always been a quiet, self-effacing man, and one can imagine his understated reaction when, on the day of his debut in the majors, his name was misspelled above his locker. Then a teammate mistook him for a clubhouse boy. Aaron, still a class act, recalls all this with equanimity and a sense of humor. One imagines it was those traits that got him through some hard times in the 1950s. If more of today's players had the quality of character Hammerin' Hank has always exhibited, the public disgust at the players in ongoing baseball strike/impasse would never have materialized.

**MULTIMEDIA NOTES:** Here's how this tiresome media game works: Big-mouth morons like "Senator" Al d'Amato and his New York soulmate

Howard Stern make blatantly insensitive remarks about minorities, and that gets them lots of press. Then the reaction to their remarks gets more press. Finally, their "contrite" apologies get these media sluts more attention still. Crassness — cynicism in action ... A monster of a promotion: A package arrived the other day with books, tapes and CD's to hype NBC's upcoming blockbuster May Sweeps event — the first TV airing of *Jurassic Park*, for which it shelled out \$50 million. NBC will be charging "Super Bowl"-like ad rates for the May 7 airing: \$600K for a 30-second spot.

Speaking of NBC *tchotkes*, that network gives good coffee cup: One of my favorite promotional items is a "Frasier" latte cup, which, you've got to admit, is the ne plus ultra of trendoid items. Another cup NBC sent last week, promoting its new "NewsRadio" series with Phil Hartman, had been smashed in the mail. Not that I'm complaining; the last thing we need is more disgruntled postal workers ... And if some of those GOP morons in Congress have their way, there'll be assault weapons for everyone again! (I'm entitled to say that; I'm still a Republican. So far) ... Speaking of creepy GOP types, I couldn't believe it: There was ABC's Sam Donaldson, in an atypical warm and fuzzy mode, staging a lovefest on "PrimeTime Live" the other night with Bob "The Abominable No-Man" Dole. Sam asked to hear that touching tale for the umpteenth time. You know — the one about how all the folks in Senator Bob's home town in Kansas chipped in to pay for his hospital bills resulting from his war wound. It was a touching metaphor coming from a man who almost single-handedly killed national health insurance. Let's all do just like Bob: Any time one of us gets real sick or badly hurt, all we have to do is ... take up a

## New York Times Magazine Puzzle

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BY CATHY MILLHAUSER / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

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collection! Donaldson, you blew it.

Ralph Barbieri's drunk-driving court date up in Cordelia has been put back until later this month ... Peter Jennings apparently feels that there's been too much media attention given to the O.J. Simpson trial, so "ABC World News Tonight" has played it down. But Jennings is a Canadian (native), so this isn't surprising. (Better we should get more stories about the fishing wars off Nova Scotia, Peter?). Thanks to this questionable call, CBS and NBC's news ratings are up, ABC's are down. You could say Peter's watching NBC's ratings "take off, eh?" ... "NYPD Blue"

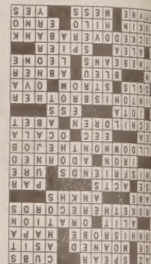
was in reruns Tuesday, which is probably just as well. I'm still a bit discomfited by that scene of a prostate exam Det. Sipowicz (Dennis Franz) underwent last week; that might have been a bit more explicit than absolutely necessary, even if it did provide a public service. The show's taken heat because of its "backal" nudity, and this was definitely a new twist. Jimmy Smits has been a strong fill-in this year for the departed David Caruso. I'm more concerned, frankly, about the planned departure after this season of three of the acclaimed series' key creative people — producers Ted "No Relation" Mann, Gregory Hoblit, and creative consultant Walon

Green. Mann is leaving to squander his talents on the talentless Don Johnson, who has a new CBS cop series set in San Fran next fall. Johnson's ex, the spacey Melanie Griffith, is almost as bad; she's the most ludicrously overrated "actress" in Hollywood ...

Is it my imagination, or is NBC's highly rated "Friends" becoming cruder and more vulgar each week? Maybe that's why its ratings are going up, huh? ... Good news in video stores: The wonderful *The Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of The Desert* has just been released on video. Why wasn't this delightful film nominated for several Oscars? Terrence Stamp should have gotten a

Best Actor nomination very least.

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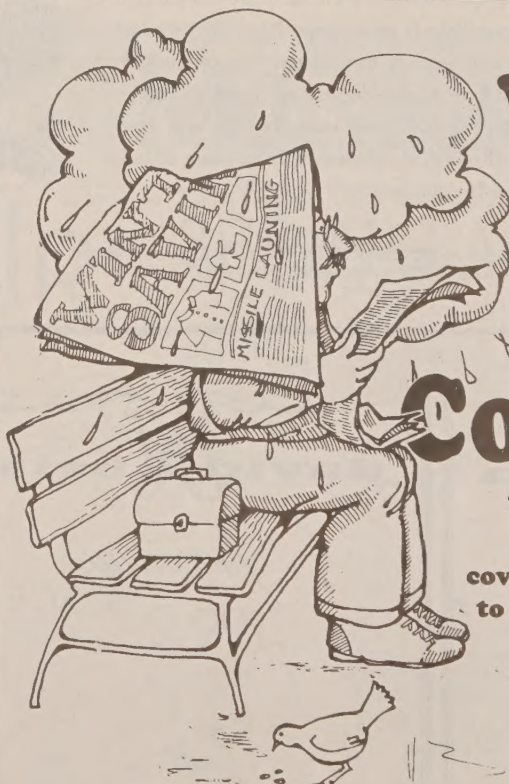
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# A place in time

## A visit to the country

Steve Shaughnessy

Every summer when I was a boy, I visited Aunt Millie and Uncle Henry. They lived on a small farm in the Iowa countryside. They weren't rich, but they took me in as if I was family. Their farm had all grown up and Leo, who farmed in the area, had his wife, Olive, lived in a separate home on the

property. Millie was a stout, good-natured farm wife who told me about everything that crossed her mind. She had a vial of snake bite. Every time I visited she baked a pie for me, either a rhubarb or strawberry pie.

Henry was referred to by the family as "Prince" Henry, because of his generous spirit. After dinner he smoked his pipe with relish and read a newspaper.

There was always a mystery to the farm, although I knew my father and her family spoke the same language. They called it "low."

After he finished his newspaper, he often played checkers or Parcheesi with me. The farm was like a paradise to me, and I always dreaded going home.

The principal business of the farm was to be a "cattle" farm. Every spring they bought more white-faced calves from the local range. The cattle were fed corn for a year and sold on the Chicago market. To feed the cattle

Henry and Leo planted acres of corn and alfalfa for hay and forage. The cattle were housed in a huge

hanger type building, open on one side so they could amble to the feed lot and graze in long feed troughs. The lot slanted downhill and into year round springs which fed a stream where the cattle could drink.

Next to the cattle barn was a new corn crib, three stories high and filled with shelled corn. At the press of a button, conveyor belts moved corn down from high tiers and into metal chutes which filled metal baskets that the men lugged to the feed lot.

My favorite building was the "horse" barn that stretched

able to get out of the pen before she charged him again. There were other stories of farmers who weren't so lucky.

Millie kept one milk cow on the farm stabled in the horse stall furthest from the entry door. At every milking, cats would emerge from the hayloft for a taste of milk. There were three or four semi-wild cats who lived in the horse barn who only approached people at milking time.

Before my arrival that summer, one of the cats had borne a litter of four kittens that were bedded down in an old wooden crate in the stall next to the milk cow. One was

home, I carefully held the apple box on my lap and talked to Midnight to reassure her. Back home, my mother and I decided to place the box in the corner of our kitchen — Midnight's new home. I placed bowls of milk and granola near her box and Midnight began her life with my family.

She was smothered with affection by my friends who all held her. On the second day, I took her outside so she could play in our backyard. At twilight, I left Midnight with a friend and went into the house for a moment. When I came out, she was nowhere to be seen. It became dark and we searched the thicket along the side of the house, repeatedly calling out her name. After a

few hours, my parents insisted that I come in for the night. I cried and was upset, but believed she would turn up in the morning.

The next morning my sister and I asked at every house on our block, but no one had seen Midnight. We posted notices on telephone poles for several blocks, but no one called with news of Midnight. I became more upset as time went by, and it became clear that I wasn't going to find her. I became inconsolable.

My treasure from the country was gone.

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### Visiting the farm was like paradise to me and I always dreaded going home.

along the barnyard for 100 yards or more. It had been built to shelter a dozen horses, but tractors had pretty much supplanted the horses. Now there were only two horses on the farm, and they spent most of the summer in the pasture because no work was available for them. The horse barn was full during the threshing season when neighbors would come to harvest the crops and house their teams there. The horse stalls were big and roomy, about 5-feet wide and 12-feet deep. Each stall had a trough at the end of it and hay was stored beyond the line of stalls where it could easily be forked into the feed trough. Harnesses hung from the walls and the smell of sweat-soaked leather was pungent.

On the other side of the barn sows were kept in pens before and after they gave birth to piglets. Uncle Henry warned me to stay out of the pens as the sows would charge anybody who got between them and their litter. Once he had been knocked down by a mother when he had done just that. He had been

coal black; the others were striped gray. I was mesmerized by their beauty. When Millie filled the milk bowls, the mother lifted them out of the box, one by one, for their feeding. When they had slurped up all the milk available, she gently put them back in the box, one by one, by the scruff of their necks. Millie noticed my fascination with the kittens and, after talking with my mother, she offered me one to take home. I was speechless with pleasure and excited about adopting one.

On the last day, Millie and I went to the horse barn and, after the milking, I selected the black kitten as mine. I called her Midnight and we put her in a cardboard apple box. We lined the bottom with a piece of an old blanket and cut holes in the side and top for air. I held Midnight and petted her before I put her in the box. I felt guilty about taking her away from her mother, but Millie assured me that she was old enough to leave.

On the bus on the way

## Friends establish special library fund

By Dawn Frasier

EL CERRITO — The Friends of El Cerrito Library has established a special Love Our Library Fund to augment the library's resources. The group is asking for contributions of \$15, the equivalent of the amount a special parcel tax would have levied on each household had a measure supporting it passed countywide by the required two-thirds majority in November.

Measure B did pass in El Cerrito — by an overwhelming 71 percent (6,936 in favor).

"The board decided to set up this fund hoping the people who were in favor of the issue would see fit to contribute that amount to the fund," said Anne Macpherson, Friend of the Library board member. "The funds raised will be used specifically to make up for the loss of past funds due to county cuts."

"They will be earmarked for books and materials for library circulation."

In that sense, said Macpherson,

contributions to the fund will be of more direct benefit than the parcel tax would have been, since those monies would have gone to the county before being apportioned to El Cerrito.

According to the Friends, the library's books and materials budget has been cut by 50 percent in the past five years, leading to noticeable reductions in new books, videos and tapes. Further cuts are expected.

Macpherson pointed out that the Love Our Library fund will not go into the Friends' budget, which includes materials purchase, along with other expenses, such as children's stories and purchase of prizes or furniture. The entire fund will be devoted to the purchase of materials for circulation.

"We've had a good initial response," she said.

Donations can be sent to the Friends of El Cerrito Library, 6510 Stockton Ave., El Cerrito, 94530. Contributions are tax-deductible.

## Albany bowlers win honors

By Marilyn Fulrath

Three Albany boys won honors in the recent Coca-Cola Youth Bowling Championships. Todd Eagle, Ryan Dennis and Anthony Martinez qualified in league competition at Albany Bowl and went on to the district finals at Hayward's Holiday Bowl.

Todd, a 14-year-old student at St. Mary's High School, was recovering from a tonsillectomy. However, he was loyal to his Little League team, the Padres, and appeared the last Sunday of March to pitch, catch, and take his turn as third baseman.

Then he and his family drove to the bowling tournament in Hayward, where he shot a 186, 257, 259 / 702 to win first in the scratch division for boys 12 years and older.

The teen finished off the day with three games of league play that night in Albany's Junior-Adult Fun Fours.

In the boys' handicap, 12 years and over, Ryan Dennis bowled 146, 158, 178 / 482 to place sixth (with handicap) and earn a spot at the state competition scheduled for Shasta Lanes in Redding May 13 and 14. Todd will also advance to this level.


Winners in the Northern California competition will go on to a final state round at Creekside. From there, four boys and girls will advance in handicap and scratch divisions to the international tournament in Rochester, N.Y., where scholarships are given to the top finalists.

Ten-year-old Anthony Martinez, a new bowler in Albany Bowl's youth league, won a \$50 scholarship when he placed first in the 11-years-and-under division for boys. Anthony entered with a low average from qualifying and shot three good scores: 162, 114, 127 / 403.

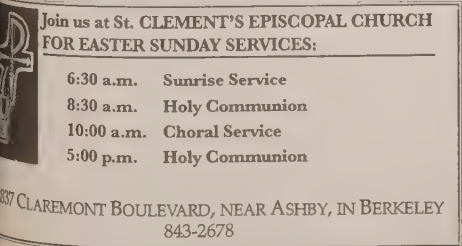
With handicap, he took the top award. The younger age divisions are not eligible to advance to state. Numerous scholarships are available to youth bowlers through Northern California's Young American Bowling Alliance, the state YABA, and Albany Bowl leagues and tournaments.

Qualifying is currently underway for a youth-adult tournament to be held at Tahoe Bowl, with national finals in Kansas City and sizable scholarship awards at the state and national levels.

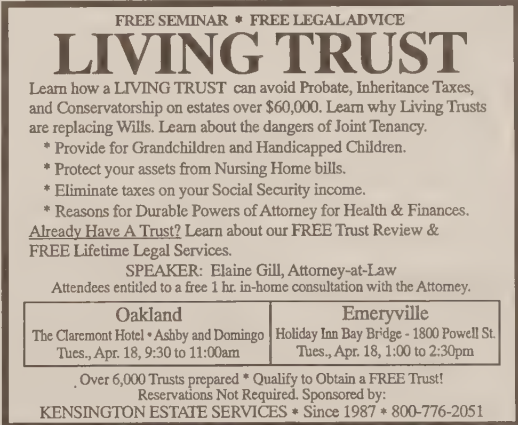




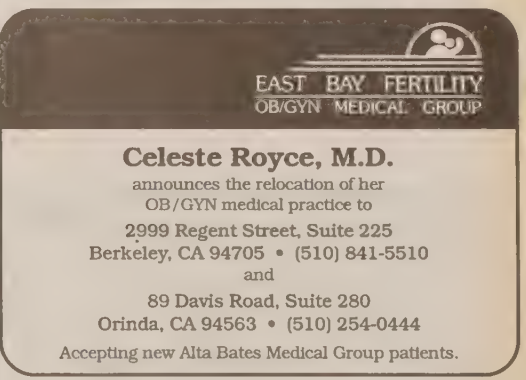


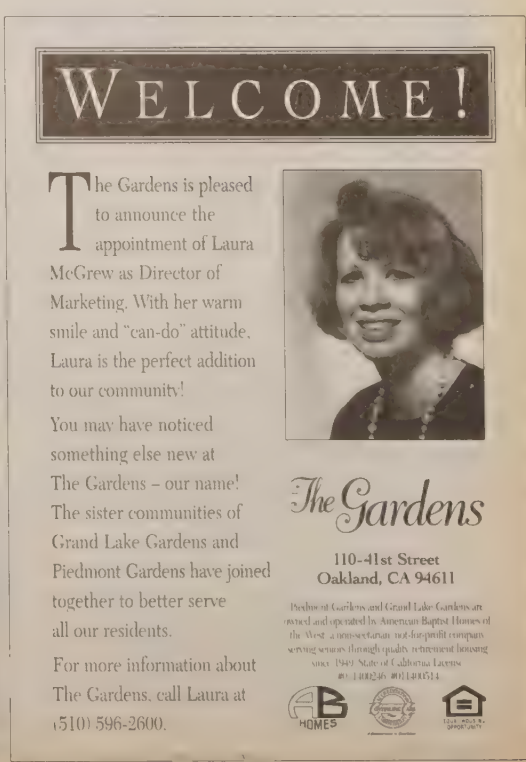














## Cardroom

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has been done, despite a request last October by the Berkeley City Council for Albany to do one.

Backers of the development say they were not required to do a full EIR before the election and have said a review of some form will be carried out before the development process is complete.

But opponents say they are suing because voters were misled by the ballot arguments in favor of the development, and that the results of an EIR would convince voters to veto the plan.

Opponents of the card room argue that voter approval of city projects on the waterfront, as required by Albany Measure C, was meant to be the final step in the

planning process, not a substitute for public review.

"We are suing the city of Albany because it violated a series of laws because the Mayor of Albany and some gullible members of the city council believe we have to have a cardroom to keep the city solvent," said John Shively, vice-president of Citizens for a Responsible Government.

But Albany Mayor Michael Brodsky did not agree, and said the lawsuit is without merit.

"I would say the opponents arguments were made loud and clear to voters and it was approved in a democratic process, I think resorting to the courts to make arguments that did not convince the voters is not the most productive thing."

He said the city was planning on going forward with a CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) process, which may include an EIR.

Opponents of the development said because one of the items on the measure approving the cardroom was the development agreement between Albany and Ladbroke, the city's options are limited.

They said the agreement locks in what the project will encompass and if any harmful impacts are found then the city of Albany's hands may be tied and it cannot mitigate them.

Because it is a ballot measure, the plan can be approved first and then made to meet environmental standards according to Dave Davis, a political consultant who backed the development.

The ballot measure gives Ladbroke the right to apply for zoning permits without an EIR. "The only thing an EIR would do that it does not have is a no build scenario, and the reality is the race track is going to be there."

Davis said the only reason opponents are asking for an EIR is so they can block the development, not so they can modify it.

The card room would be open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Under a development agreement between the City of Albany and the racetrack owners, Ladbroke, Inc. the City of Albany would receive approximately \$1.2 million a year of revenue from the card room.

Also Ladbroke would be responsible for obtaining land and provid-

ing \$500,000 for construction of the bay trail in Albany. Other mitigations, such as for traffic, are also proposed.

But the deal does not appeal to all of Albany's residents.

"I think from an environmental point of view it is a disaster, it brings a non-water use to the waterfront, and brings in a lot of traffic and pollution," said Albany resident Jerri Holan, a longtime foe of the proposal.

Holan also said the project would create social problems.

"I think it will turn us into a company town, where one company will contribute a huge sum to our city budget," She said.

She also said Albany's Police Department would not be able to

handle the crime in the card room, and the gamblers more than make up for the reasons.

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# PET TALK

## Veterinarian of the Month: Dr. Allen Cesafsky, "A flying veterinarian"

Allen A. Cesafsky, owner of the Woodminster Veterinary Hospital, grew up on a small Wisconsin dairy farm with two childhood dreams. He wanted to grow up to be like the veterinarian who came out to the farm to care for the sick animals, and he wanted to learn to fly.

Now many children imagine they can fly and dream of becoming any number of different things before they decide upon a career. But Cesafsky was intent on making his dreams come true. "I decided firmly at the age of 12 that I wanted to be a vet," says Cesafsky.

He left the dairy farm behind, saying goodbye to the 12 cows who had become like pets to him. He said goodbye to the dogs, cats, wild birds and foxes his mother had brought home and tamed and went off to study veterinary medicine at Kansas State University.

After graduating, he joined the Air

Force and learned to fly. Although he never became the fighter pilot he had hoped to be, he earned rides with full-fledged fighter pilots in exchange for caring for their pets on the base.

It wasn't until after Cesafsky moved to the Woodminster Clinic that he actually took flying lessons. Now, when he's not caring for local dogs, cats and other small pets in the area, he's flying his small plane to exotic places like Mazatlan, Mexico or his favorite weekend escape in Trinity Center.

Cesafsky says the emphasis on large animal practice in veterinary school was not satisfying to him. "The large animals were strictly economic entities," he says. "There was no emotional attachment to them like there is with people's pets." That leaves him with the capability of caring for dogs and cats make up the largest portion of his practice. There is, however, the occasional parakeet, canary or



Dr. Cesafsky and assistant with one of his patients.

cocker spaniel. Cesafsky talked some about the different breeds of dogs.

He noted that the dogs that shed the least are generally the ones that require the most frequent professional grooming. German Shepherds will keep your house in fur, he says, and so will the very popular Golden Retrievers, and the cold climate dogs like Samoyeds and Huskies.

Poodles (which he says are smart and not at all the "sissy" that many people think), Schnauzers and Cocker Spaniels, on the other hand, won't shed, but require grooming for health purposes every six to 12 weeks.

Additionally, he says that although large dogs are currently in fashion, people shouldn't have a large dog unless they will be able to take the dog

out regularly for exercise. "It's not for backyards or small lots," he says.

And mixed breeds, common belief, don't guarantee a pure breed.

Woodminster Veterinary Hospital is located at 5045 Woodminster. The Woodminster Shopping Center. Pets can be seen by appointment. Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday from 10 am to noon, to 6 pm, and Wednesday, from 9 am to noon. Appointments be scheduled from 9 am to 6 pm Monday, Thursday and Friday.

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"I have neutered or spayed guinea pigs for people; removed tumors from pet rats. Once I treated a pig someone dropped off on a friend's porch as a joke," Cesafsky recalls. He even treated the ducks that resided in the ponds behind an apartment complex near the Caldecott Tunnel when they were attacked by dogs or raccoons. "I remember once lifting a 225 pound Saint Bernard into the bathtub," Cesafsky chuckled, but that's about as big as he goes.

The majority of Cesafsky's practice consists of treating, grooming and boarding dogs and cats. He describes Woodminster Vet Hospital as being a

full service facility based on the old model of veterinary hospitals.

"We have full hospital services, a good size boarding kennel and indoor runs. The animals are exercised by volunteers," he says. "My philosophy is to provide a family practice where clients get personal attention. That's the advantage of having a one-vet practice."

Cesafsky applauds the general quality of veterinary care in the Bay Area, saying it is probably some of the best available in the country. He uses the services of specialists in veterinary ophthalmology, orthopedics or other areas when the pet's problem is beyond his capabilities.

One of the special things about Cesafsky's practice over the years is that he has offered young people the opportunity to help out at the hospital to explore the possibility of veterinary medicine as a career. Over the years he says more than 100 youngsters have benefited from this experience. Most of them hear of the opportunity by word-of-mouth from their friends who have worked there, or they are clients with pets that Cesafsky treats. Some have participated in work-study programs through the schools or the 4-H Club.

Cesafsky is the father of two cats, one of whom is the Burmese who, true to its heritage, rides to work on Cesafsky's shoulder and is familiar to clinic clients. He is also stepfather to a

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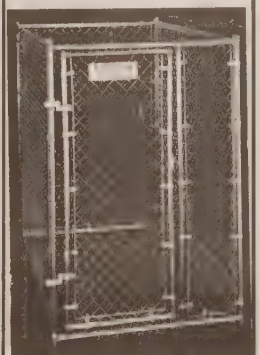
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## East Bay Events This Week



Donald Bailey (above) and Eddie Marshall (right) perform tomorrow night at the Maybeck Recital Hall.

### Jazz drummers turn melodic at Maybeck; Jessica Williams & Dick Whittington play

On Friday at 8 p.m., "two of the greatest jazz drummers show the melodic side of their creativity." Donald Bailey plays harmonica, Eddie Marshall plays recorders, with Al Plank, piano, and Rob Carter, bass. Standards and originals.

On Sunday at 4 p.m., Jessica Williams and Dick Whittington present a two-piano jazz concert. Whittington calls his collaborator one of the greatest jazz pianists of any era. Solos and duets. The concerts are at the Maybeck Recital Hall, 1537 Euclid Ave., Berkeley. Admission to either is \$20. Call 848-3228 for reservations.

### egg colors, 'Treasure Island' at Fairyland

Here are activities for kids coming up at Children's Fairyland in Oakland's Lakeside Park: Peter Cottontail will teach the art of coloring eggs, daily through Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. A puppet show version of Robert Louis Stevenson's *Treasure Island* by Lewis Schimann is presented daily at 11 a.m., 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. Fairyland caters to children under 10; it's open 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday through Sunday. Admission is \$2.50 children, \$3 adults, and infants under 1. The theme park is at the corner of Grand and Avenue avenues. Call 452-2259 for more details.

### Music from the 12th to 14th centuries

Ensemble Alcatraz performs music from the 12th to 14th centuries in a concert Friday. The ensemble is comprised of Cheryl Fulmer (harp), Peter Maund (percussion), Shira Kammien (bowed instruments), Susan Rode Morris (soprano) and Kit Higginson (recorder and zither). The concert is at 8 p.m. Friday at New Pieces, 897 Solano Ave., Berkeley. Call 527-6779 for ticket information.

### Ohio Players at Kimball's

The Ohio Players pioneered street funk in the mid-1970s with hits like "Fire," "Love Roller Coaster," "Sweet Sticky Thing" and "Skin Tight." The band plays at Kimball's East this weekend with original member Leroy "Sugarfoot" Bonner (vocals, guitar) and long-time members James "Diamond" Williams (drums) and Chet Williams (guitar), joined by Dawin Dortch (bass) and Ronald Nooks (keyboards). At 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. Friday to Sunday at Kimball's, 2000 Shellmound St., Emeryville. Admission \$18. 658-2555.

### Plants that attract birds and butterflies

The Regional Park Botanic Garden in Tilden Park is holding a sale of native California plants, including ceanothus, manzanita, monkey flower, mock oranges, flowering currants, irises, ferns and colorful annuals. Many of the plants are drought resistant. Plants that attract birds and butterflies are specially featured. The sale is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Bring a box to carry home your purchases. 841-8732.



The *Inmates*, a 1994 oil, is one of the works in the exhibit 'Georgia June Goldberg: Paintings, Etchings and Monotypes,' at the Fig Tree Gallery through April 30. The gallery is at 2599 Eighth St., No. 42, Berkeley. Hours are 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays, or by appointment. Call 540-7843 for details.

More events →

## Has age mellowed the world's fastest tenor sax player?

■ *Life on a farm in France has left Johnny Griffin more relaxed, and you can hear it.*

By Charles Levin

Johnny Griffin—the world's fastest tenor saxophone player, the 5 foot, 3 inch "Little Giant" from Chicago who effortlessly tears through bebop tunes with unstoppable tenacity and a larger-than-life sound—just may be mellowing.

### Jazz

"I'm more relaxed. I'm not trying to prove anything," says Griffin, who began a five-night run at Yoshi's Nitespot yesterday. Speaking by phone from his home in France, Griffin compared his latest work to the mid-1950s recording of "Riff Raff," his first outing as a leader.

"I really search for the beauty in music more than I did," he offers.

Griffin's new recording, *Chicago, New York, Paris*, takes a more relaxed pace than we're accustomed to hearing. Each of the cities represents a style—Chicago, blues; New York, bebop; and Paris, ballads—and if this session seems devoid of blazing riffs that usually characterize Griffin's persona, it's not lacking precise technique or pure swing,

spunk and soul.

A sense of intensity has always marked Griffin's career, however, perhaps suggesting he did think he had to prove something. Besides leading groups, and performing sideman stints with Lionel Hampton, Thelonious Monk and Art Blakey, Griffin has long been known for the tenor "battles" that he performed with Arnett Cobb, Dexter Gordon or Eddie "Lockjaw" Davis.

Griffin, who turns 67 later this month, said the idea began in the 1940s when quintets featuring two tenors were popular, and players like Gordon and Wardell Gray, Zoot Sims and Al Cohn, and Sonny Stitt and Gene Ammons faced off to exchange endless choruses over blues and standards, the players raising the ante with each round. In the late 1970s, Griffin and Gordon dazzled a Carnegie Hall audience on the latter's *Homecoming* record with an over-the-top rendition of "The Blues Up and Down."

Griffin acknowledges the images may have appeared competitive, but looks are deceiving.

"You would see two tenor saxophones blowing at each other, and people would say it's a battle, but the thing with Eddie 'Lockjaw,' Dexter and myself (is that) we were just having fun," he says.

For Griffin, the tenor saxophone was love at first sight—the sight and sound of Ben Webster, that is, playing a dance one night for a 12-year-old Griffin's Chicago elementary school graduation. Griffin would try piano, Hawaiian guitar, clarinet and alto sax, however, before realizing that dream.

"I've had tunnel vision for that sound ever since (I heard Webster)," said Griffin. "but when I went to high school, the following September, the bandmaster politely informed me I had to start playing clarinet. I liked clarinet, but it wasn't the instrument I was hearing in my mind's ear. He said the tenor was much too large for me and to start in the school band, you had to play clarinet."

He ascended to alto saxophone before graduating from high school, but it wasn't until his first gig with Lionel Hampton (50 years ago this June) in Toledo, Ohio, that Griffin had an inkling he would change horns.

"I was walking on stage with my alto when Gladys Hampton (Lionel's wife) stopped me and said, 'Junior, Where's your tenor sax? You're playing tenor sax in the band' and that was the first



Johnny Griffin

I'd heard of it," said Hodges.

He immediately picked up a tenor when he returned to Chicago from that tour.

During the early '60s, Davis and Griffin co-lead a group through tough times. Money was so tight, Griffin said, they parted with leader's fees just to sustain sidemen. They shared the same booking agent as Blakey, Miles Davis and Horace Silver, but Griffin said those groups received preferential bookings. One day, the agency asked to him to tour Europe.

"I said I wasn't interested," he recalls. "And the president of the record company took me to lunch and told me if I go to Europe, I wouldn't come back. And I said, 'This is ridiculous, I'm in New York already. This is heaven. What's Europe?'"

Griffin relented and spent three months abroad in Paris, Stockholm, England and Holland.

"And then I came back to New York and all these problems I had," he said, referring to family and tax headaches that plagued him at the time. He emigrated in 1963, settling in Paris where he became a regular with pianist Bud Powell and drummer Kenny Clarke. From 1967 to 1969, he was the principal soloist with the Clarke-Boland Big Band. He now makes his home 250 miles southwest of Paris where the only view from his window is the Vienne River and some goats and cows.

Griffin mostly works in Europe and Japan, where opportunities for jazz musicians still flourish in greater quantity than in the United States (but he still tours here once or twice a year to sold-out crowds of adoring fans). He's a few hours' train ride from the nearest "local" gig, and a fax machine connects him to his agent in New York. Which all sounds so mellow, so relaxed, so laid back for the man whose sound has been defined by steadfast resolve and burning intensity.

**Griffin's new recording takes a more relaxed pace, but it doesn't lack pure swing, spunk and soul.**

"Inherently, I'm still the same sax player from Chicago," says Griffin. "I still feel silly and young."

"But I am mature," he adds with a laugh. "At this age, I hope I'm mature."

Johnny Griffin performs at Yoshi's Nitespot, 6030 Claremont Ave., Oakland tomorrow through Sunday. Showtimes are 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. every night. Tickets are \$15 Wednesday and Thursday, and \$18 Friday, Saturday and Sunday. For more information, call 652-9200.

## OEB Symphony to play Verdi's Requiem Apr. 21

The Oakland East Bay Symphony will be joined by the Oakland Symphony Chorus next week in a single performance of Verdi's *Requiem*. OEB's music director Michael Morgan will conduct. Magen Solomon is music director of the Oakland Symphony Chorus.

The soloists will be soprano Judith Raddue, mezzo-soprano Leslie Richards-Pellegrini, tenor Daniel Harper and bass David Tiger.

The requiem was written in honor of Alessandro Manzoni, a writer Verdi respected deeply. It is sometimes jokingly called his greatest opera, in recognition that the music is in the same theatrical style as the composer's operas.

The performance is at 8 p.m. Friday, April 21, at the Paramount Theatre, 2025 Broadway, Oakland. Tickets are \$9 to \$28. Call 465-6400.

## Wildflower show May 13 and 14

The Oakland Museum presents its 26th annual California Wildflower Show on Saturday and Sunday, May 13 and 14.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday; noon to 7 p.m. Sunday.

The event features a wide array of native species gathered in the field and brought to the museum the day before the show opens to be sorted, identified and labeled by botanists.

Winter rains will assure an abundant crop of flowers, and collecting will be done statewide rather than limited to one or two regions, as is usually the case.

Extending into eight gallery bays instead of the usual five, the show will include two new features: a microscope station and a table of rare and endangered species being cultivated in pots. Naturalists will be on hand.

Admission is \$4 (\$2 seniors and students), which includes entry to the other exhibits at the museum, which is located at 1010th St., Oakland.

Call 238-3401 for details.



## 'My Fair Lady' coming April 28-30

Oakland Lyric Opera presents three performances of 'My Fair Lady,' the story of a cockney flower girl who enters high society after being trained by a linguist.

Above, the linguist Henry Higgins (Alan Dettmering), right, is congratulated by his friend Colonel Pickering (Bill Frey) over the success

of Eliza (Katy Stephan).

The performances are at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, April 28 and 29, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 30, all at the Scottish Rite Center Theater, 1547 Lakeside Drive, Oakland. Tickets are \$18 (\$15 seniors/students, \$10 children under 17). Call 531-4231 for reservations.



## Martha Bosworth awarded 3 prizes at 69th Poets' Dinner

Dorothy V. Benson, Poets' Dinner Committee

To the applause of more than 200 poetry enthusiasts, Kathleen Lynch of Pleasanton claimed the grand prize at the Poets' Dinner, held at Spenger's in Berkeley on March 25. Lynch was one of three who won three prizes; the others were Taylor Graham from Somerset and Martha Bosworth of Berkeley.

Bosworth carted off first prize in the Love category with "All Days, All Ways," third in Humor with "they Forgot to Pay My Fare Across the Styx," and first honorable mention for "Terra Incognita," in the Spaces and Places category.

Jennifer Arin of Oakland won two prizes. She collected third prize for a People entry, "Grandmas's Gold Purse," and first honorable mention for "Defending Ourselves," in the Poet's Choice category.

Contest poems are submitted anonymously. To claim prizes, contestants must be present at the Poet's Dinner, and they come from near and far. Six winners came from Berkeley: In the Beginnings and Endings category, Carolyn Scarr won third prize for "Packing," and Virginia Anderson won first honorable mention for "Growing Words."

From Piedmont: John Sindall's "Owed to a Tea Bag" claimed second prize in Humor; for Carol Graywing it was first honorable mention for "Mastodon Dance," a People poem.

From Oakland: Mickey Ellinger topped the Spaces and Places category with "Symbol Bridge, Lava Beds"; and for their Nature poems, Nancy Warden took second prize with "Sierra Night" and Cliff Wolfe first honorable mention for "Blow With the Winds."

## East Bay Events continued



Diane Klein

Oquisha Paradox celebrates a new CD Friday at La Peña.

## Oquisha Paradox's CD party at La Peña

Oquisha Paradox will play all the songs on their new CD, *World of Worlds*, (plus other songs) beginning 9:30 p.m. Friday at La Peña Cultural Center. The three-piece band has a 15-year history in the Bay Area, blending blues and rock, heavily influenced by music of the Americas, the Caribbean and Africa. "Come prepared to dance into the night," urges the press release. La Peña is at 3105 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley. Cover charge is \$5. Call 849-2568.

## Forum: feminist perspective on the arts; concert of and by Annea Lockwood

Mills College concludes its Festival of Women's Music with two events next week. The first is a symposium titled "A Women's Language, A Woman's Voice: Feminist Perspectives on the Arts," featuring panelists Annea Lockwood (of Vassar); Jane Bowers (University of Wisconsin); Katherine Bergeron and Judy Tsou (UC-Berkeley); Annie Janeiro Randall, Maggi Payne and Moira Roth (Mills); and composer Laetitia Sonami, and performances by soprano Sara Ganz and pianist Belle Bulwinkle. The symposium is at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 19, at the Mills Student Union. It is free.

Two days later, Annea Lockwood ends a three-week residency at Mills with a concert of her music, featuring Lockwood, mezzo-soprano Elizabeth Eshelman, pianist Julie Steinberg and the Sanford Dole Ensemble. The concert is at 8 p.m. Friday, April 21, at the Mills College Concert Hall. Admission is \$10 (\$5 seniors/students).

Mills College is at 5000 MacArthur Blvd., Oakland. Call 430-2296 for more details.

## Stravinsky's 'L'Histoire du soldat' at Cal

The series of free midday concerts presented by the UC-Berkeley department of music continues Wednesday with Stravinsky's *L'Histoire du soldat*, performed by the *Stravinsky Ensemble* under the direction of Kim Rankin. The performance begins at 12:15 p.m. Wednesday at Hertz Hall on the UC campus. Call 642-4864 for more details.

## Birth of the Blues Festival is next week

The Berkeley Library's seventh annual celebration of jazz, the Birth of the Blues Festival, opens next Thursday with a lecture and demonstration on the history and embellishments of the blues by pianist/educator Bill Bell. Bell will illustrate the variety of blues with demonstrations on the piano and examples from his record collection. "Bill Bell on the Blues" begins at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 20, at the North Branch Library, 1170 The Alameda, Berkeley.

The festival continues with performances the next three evenings at 8 p.m. at the Central Library reading room, 2090 Kittredge, Berkeley. Free tickets will be distributed at 7 p.m.; the doors open at 7:30 p.m. Call 644-6100 for more details.

On Friday, the Brenda Boykin Band performs. "Boykin is renowned for her strong delivery of the blues in styles that range from down-home to R&B to soulful renditions of Sarah Vaughan."

On Saturday, singer Faye Carol teams up with her daughter, pianist Kito Gamble. Carol has appeared with Ray Charles, Albert King and Charles Brown and received the Cabaret Gold Award as outstanding jazz and blues vocalist. Gamble has appeared with Billy Higgins, Branford Marsalis, Steve Turre and the Roy Hargrove Quintet.

On Sunday, the Ed Kelly Trio closes the festival. Kelly plays piano, both solo and with Ron Belcher on bass and Art Lewis on drums. Kelly has "an encyclopedic grasp of blues, gospel and jazz piano."

## Pacific Coast Collegiate Jazz Festival; Joshua Redman to perform twice

The 21st annual Pacific Coast Collegiate Jazz Festival takes place Friday and Saturday, April 21 and 22, on the UC-Berkeley campus. The event features jazz groups from colleges and universities in the western United States. The entrants are big bands, small ensembles or vocal jazz groups. Featured artist is tenor saxophonist Joshua Redman, who performs twice—from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturday, April 22, in Wheeler Auditorium, with the UC Jazz Ensembles' Wednesday Big Band; and at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 22, with his own quartet in Zellerbach Hall. Day passes for the festival are \$7 per day or \$10 for both days, which entitle you to everything except Redman's Zellerbach performance, for tickets to which call 642-9988. For other information about the festival, call 642-5062.

# Study of priests is a missed opportunity

■ 'Priest' surveys events without clarifying them.

By Basil De Pinto

The movies have sometimes borrowed from distinguished literary sources in telling tales of the sins and sorrows of the clergy, including Tennessee Williams (*The Night of the Iguana*) and Graham Greene (*The Power and the Glory*). Earlier on, with even greater depth and theological insight, there was *The Diary of a Country Priest* by Bernanos.

Jimmy McGovern, who wrote the screenplay for *Priest*, can hardly be faulted for not belonging in the aforementioned company; he is a scriptwriter for British TV. Director Antonia Bird is also more experienced in television than in film.

Between them they have reduced a four-hour TV script to a two-hour movie, and the result shows its origins. *Priest* has the ring of truth in fits and starts, but it is largely a rather lame and unfocused survey of a group of Roman Catholic clergy in Liverpool, all of them disaffected and discontented with the institutional church.

The title itself betrays a vagueness of approach that relies heavily on stock characters: the worldly, comfortably well-off bishop; the elderly incompetent, unceremoniously sacked; the fiery populist, addicted to a '60s brand of liberalism.

The central character is Father Greg Pilkington (Linus Roache). Young and idealistic, he is also so rigid in his beliefs that all hope of audience sympathy for him is eliminated from his first, rather belligerent encounters with his pastor, Father Matt Thomas (Tom Wilkinson).

Matt is full of the progressive social teachings of the church overlaid with a heavy-handed attempt at contemporary "relevance." Greg reacts to this with self-righteous appeals to a stolid, unappetizing moralism.

Meanwhile both priests maintain a hidden sexual agenda. Matt is none too secretive about his liaison with Maria Kerrigan, the housekeeper (Cathy Tyson). Greg doffs his collar for nocturnal forays to the local gay bar, where he soon becomes involved with Graham (Robert Carlyle).

The difference is that Matt is comfortable with his tie to Maria, while Greg tortures himself and Graham in their off-again, on-again affair. When Greg's homosexuality is uncovered by a roving police car, the ensuing publicity brings the major aspect of the story to a climax.

This issue is important and sensitive enough to warrant full



Linus Roache plays a young priest whose rigid idealism doesn't extend to his former

treatment, but a secondary plot (remember, this was once a four part mini-series), needlessly distracts attention and blurs the central focus.

A young schoolgirl has revealed to Greg in the confessional her father's incestuous behavior. The priest, of course, is bound by the seal of confession not to expose the father. When the girl's mother discovers the truth, she blames Greg for keeping the secret. The institutional requirement seems vicious and inhuman.

This is one of several straw men apparently set up to denigrate church practices, and which have drawn howls of protest from some Catholic groups (although none from official hierarchical sources).

The movie makes its points with occasional deftness, but more often settles for a shallow journalistic survey of events rather than trying to clarify them. If it never stoops to the crassness of Oprah or Donohue, it still depends more on the current appetite for publicity than on reasoned argument or keen perception.

The acting is solid, if predictable. But this is due to the script. As written, the character of Greg is achingly naive, and Roache does a heroic job of making him at least somewhat bearable. Still, there are moments when one wants to shout at the screen, "How can you be so stupid?"

Wilkinson's Matt is by far the most interesting person in the piece because the role is complex and nuanced. This priest is a rebel with a very definite cause: to exalt love and compassion above every other value, no matter how expedient. The part and the actor mesh very creditably.

*Priest* is not a bad movie; it's just not good enough to get worked up about unless you harbor paranoid delusions about "attacks on the Catholic church."

It is, unfortunately, a missed opportunity. There is room for a film that looks at clergy and church with honesty and in depth, that rules out cliché in favor of strong principle on the one hand, and committed humaneness on the other. *Priest* is just not that film.

'Priest' is just not good enough to get worked up about unless you harbor paranoid delusions about 'attacks on the Catholic church'

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# Church notes

## Myriad Easter services planned

**Down Frasier**  
The Albany/El Cerrito/North Bay Ministerial Association will host a community-wide Good Friday service tomorrow, April 14, at the First Baptist Church of Albany, 1319 Solano Ave. A different pastor will preach at half-hour between noon and 6 p.m. Readings, hymns and meditation will also be a part of the service, which focuses on personal reflection at the cross. You are invited to come to worship for the entire period or for any convenient interval. The ministerial association, in conjunction with the local Lion's Club, will hold an Easter Sunrise service at 8 a.m. April 16 on the top of Mt. Diablo.

begins at 10 a.m. at the Albany United Methodist Church, 980 Stannage Ave.  
• **St. Alban's Episcopal Church**, 1501 Washington Ave., is one of the participants in the ecumenical service. A Prayer Book Good Friday Observance begins at St. Alban's at 7:30 p.m.  
Tonight, a parish Agape dinner at 6:30 p.m. precedes a Eucharist with foot-washing at 7:30 p.m.  
A Holy Saturday service and rehearsal for the vigil begins at 10 a.m. The Great Vigil of Easter, "the central Christian celebration," starts at 8 p.m. Saturday evening.  
Easter morning Eucharist services are celebrated at 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.  
• A Mass of the Lord's Supper begins at 7 p.m. this evening at St. Jerome's Church, 308 Carmel Ave., El Cerrito.  
On Good Friday, the Reading of the Passion and the Veneration of the Cross is scheduled for 12:15 p.m. The Stages of the Cross begin at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.  
The Holy Saturday Easter Vigil

begins at 8 p.m. Easter morning masses are celebrated at 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m. and 11 a.m.  
• **At St. John the Baptist Catholic Church**, 11150 San Pablo Ave., Morning Prayer services are scheduled for 8 a.m. this morning, Good Friday morning and Holy Saturday morning. The Mass of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated tonight at 7 p.m.  
On Good Friday, sacred music will be offered at 12 noon, followed by the Lord's Passion at 12:30 p.m.  
On Holy Saturday, there will be no 5 p.m. Mass. The Easter Vigil begins at 8 p.m.  
Easter masses begin at 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (a children's service), 11 a.m., and 12:30 p.m.  
• **Tonight at Christ Lutheran Church**, 780 Ashbury, El Cerrito, a 6:30 p.m. potluck precedes the Maundy Thursday Eucharist at 7:15 p.m.  
On Good Friday, a service of darkness, with music and drama, begins at 7:30 p.m.  
Easter Vigil worship begins at 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

On Easter morning, two Festival Holy Communion services will be celebrated, the first at 8:30 a.m., the second at 11 a.m. The Rev. Sharon Lubkeman's sermon topic is, "God's People Rejoice! The Tomb is Open!"  
Easter breakfast is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.  
• "Where is Jesus' Body?" is Pastor Vern Olson's Easter message at **Grace Lutheran Church** this Sunday.  
The public is warmly invited to the service of celebration, which begins at 9:30 a.m. The Holy Eucharist will also be celebrated. Coffee and fellowship will follow the service.  
There will be no Sunday school or adult Bible class; both will resume April 23.  
Pastor Emeritus O.R. Janke will preach on "What's So Important about the Lord's Supper" tonight at a special Maundy Thursday communion service. It begins at 7:30 p.m.  
On Good Friday, a Tenebrae service is scheduled to begin at 7:30 p.m.  
The traditional service commemorates the crucifixion of Christ

with the gradual extinguishing of candles, leading to darkness.  
The church is located at 15 Santa Fe Ave., El Cerrito.  
• A short service of foot-washing and informal communion will be offered tonight at **Mira Vista United Church of Christ**, 7075 Cutting Blvd., El Cerrito.  
Good Friday is a time for silent reflection between 12 noon and 2 p.m. A service of music and scripture follows at 2:15 p.m.; it ends at 3 p.m.  
Drop by the church for pancakes between two special Easter services. An informal Easter Sunrise Service of singing and communion will be held at 6:30 a.m. at Inspiration Point, Tilden Park.  
At 10 a.m., more formal worship and grand music by the choir will be offered at Mira Vista.  
• **The Evangelical Free Church and the El Cerrito Chinese Christian Church** will combine for worship Easter Sunday at 10 a.m.  
Both worship at 7200 Schmidt Lane in El Cerrito. A 9 a.m. to 9:45 a.m. social time precedes the service.  
On Good Friday, communion will be celebrated at 7:30 p.m.

## EC honors former BART director for dedication

**EL CERRITO** — Mayor Norman La Force has issued a formal commendation of Nello Bianco for his work on the BART board of directors for over 20 years.  
"I (want) to call attention to the extraordinary level of service Nello Bianco has rendered on behalf of our district and the whole region," said Kosel, in commenting on the commendation. "He is simply extraordinary and will be missed."  
Bianco has also received a special service award from the Contra Costa Conference of Mayors and will receive the 1995 Citizen of the Year award from the West Contra Costa Business and Professional Association April 27.  
Bianco was first appointed to the BART board in 1969 and 1973 and has won re-election until his retirement in 1994. He served as president and vice-president five times during his tenure.  
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**WEEKEND SCENE:** The Ohio Players Kimball's East... Donald Bailey and Eddie Marshall with the Al Plank Trio Friday and Jessica Williams and Dick Whittington Sunday at the Maybeck Recital Hall...Jim Brown at Scott's...Live Jazz Monday through Thursday Clarion Suites Lake Merritt Hotel...The Move in the Ducks & Co. Lounge at the Ramada Hotel...Jamie Davis and the Mark Little Trio at Elsin's Via Veneto... West Express Friday and Gary Newman and Clifford Saturday at the Fat Lady.  
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**COMEDY SCENE:** Felicia Michaels at the Punch Line Walnut Creek...Brian Regan and Lord Garret at Tommy T's San Ramon... "Comedy by the Bay" Wednesday at Geoffrey's Inner Circle... **SAN FRANCISCO:** Anthony Clark at the Punch Line...Clinton Jackson at Cobb's Comedy Club.

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**MARTIN SNAPP**

**Death And Taxes:** Well, April 15 is almost upon us, which means it's time for two familiar spring rituals:

1. Frantically scurrying to get my tax return in on time. (My apologies to my long-suffering accountant, Scott Price, who has the world's greatest address: 400 Montgomery Street, Suite 1040. I'm sorry, Scott. I promise I'll be a good boy next year. Of course, that's what I said last year.)

2. The annual My-Cat-Ate-The-Tax-Return column. Every year, I call Larry Wright at the IRS and ask him to share some of the best dodges, excuses and scams that taxpayers tried to get away with. And this year he has some *real* beauts:

- The woman who asked the I.R.S. to send her a pamphlet titled "Loopholes." (There isn't any, needless to say.)

- The labor union official who, through a typographical error, claimed a deduction for "out-of-picket" expenses.

- The IRS supervisor who overheard one of his switchboard operators saying, "Sir, please watch your language! I don't have to listen to words like that! Reverend, I'm ashamed of you!"

- The woman who asked, "Can I deduct my Barbie Doll as a dependent?"

- The man who hadn't filed for two years because "I couldn't find any tax forms." ("And believe it or not," says Wright, "he was a CPA!")

- The guy who called and asked indignantly, "Why do you keep contacting me? Didn't you get my death notice? I mailed it to you!"

- The man who wrote, "Dear IRS, Enclosed please find my estimated tax return. You'll note that I did not sign my name. If I have to guess how much I'm going to earn, you can guess who sent this in."

- The guy who was caught underestimating his income (which appears at the top at the tax return form) and overestimating his expenses (which appears at the bottom). His explanation: "When my calculator is cold it tends to underestimate numbers. After it warms up, it overestimates numbers."

- The guy who went into a mortgage broker's office and applied for a federally insured loan. He supplied a copy of his income tax return and also gave permission to contact the IRS for confirmation.

The IRS sent the mortgage broker its copy of the guy's tax return, and a few days later the broker called back.

"Something is obviously wrong here," he said. "The copy he gave you says he made \$120,000 less last year than the copy he gave me."

Naturally, the copy he gave the broker was the accurate one.

"I don't know if the guy ever got his loan or not," says Wright, "but I can tell you that he'll have something new to put on his application form: a huge tax lien. Not to mention the fact that he can count on being audited for awhile."

- The horseplayer who wanted to deduct his losses at Golden Gate Fields. (You're allowed to do it, up to the amount of your winnings.) He talked to a rookie IRS auditor, who told him to bring in something to document his losses.

The next day, the guy showed up with his documentation: an armload of pari-mutuel ticket stubs.

The rookie was about to OK the claim when a more experienced hand whispered, "Better check the backs of the tickets first."

They all had footprints on the back.

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Meanwhile, I was saddened to learn of the passing of a true local character: Bill Warren, better known as the Oakland Grill.

Bill used to own the Oakland Grill at Fourth and Franklin, where his curmudgeonly persona reached full flower. He didn't have hostesses and waitresses; they were called "hostoids" and "waitrons."

Bill was famous as the guy who wouldn't let little kids in his restaurant. But he wouldn't let adults in, either, if they acted childish. One time I was supposed to meet a friend there. While waiting for me to show up, my friend started giving one of the hostoids a hard time.

After I arrived, Bill came to our table and told me, "You have a phone call in back."

When I got to the phone, he said, "There really isn't any phone call. I just wanted to tell you privately that you are always welcome here, but your friend isn't."

And he was funny. One time we were walking down the aisle when Bill stopped at a table and said to the customer, "You have three slices of toast. You're only entitled to two." And he grabbed the extra slice and popped it into his mouth.

This wry, funny, loyal, irritating, eccentric, totally original man died by his own hand last week. Wherever he is, I hope his soul has found rest. There'll never be another like him.

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## Fire

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more must have at least Class B (fire resistant) roofing installed. Spark arrestors are also required.

The bill also establishes a vegetation management plan which includes "the 30-foot rule," calling for a fire break of 30 feet around all structures, and the trimming of trees away from open chimneys or flue vents.

El Cerrito Fire Department staff members are "still in the process of researching the interface of the Bates Bill standards and our own," said Cutright. The city of El Cerrito, for example, has been operating under the Uniform Fire Code which has made a 100-foot fuel break an optional requirement. El Cerrito has been treating that as standard.

When the council does consider vegetation management standards recommended by the El Cerrito F.D. and sets the resulting standards by ordinance, it will likely be confirming much of what the city's been doing anyway.

"In Kensington, we'd like to have the board go through the same process," said Cutright, adding that in Kensington standards will become more strict than they have been.

"The district board will now set standards specifically appropriate to Kensington," said Cutright. The district has until now operated under county-set standards.

"The board is saying this is one way we can lower

the risk in the area," he said. "It's a very positive step."

As in El Cerrito, education will be a critical component of Kensington's new program.

"The board agrees with the city council of El Cerrito that this is a program whose effectiveness depends upon voluntary compliance," said Cutright. "To obtain voluntary compliance requires that the city or the district educate people as to what the standards are."

"Those standards should be clear and not confusing."

The Kensington board has first hand experience in understanding what the new standards will mean to homeowners. The El Cerrito fire marshal visited and inspected the homes of each of the five members.

"It raised our understanding of what the standards would mean to us personally," said Eggherman, adding that the board members represent a variety of residential situations, from "pretty straightforward urban lots to heavily wooded and large parcels."

The board's next job, he said, is "to start working on specific resolutions to enact standards to fulfill the Bates Bill requirements...the way we're interpreting those in Kensington, meeting our specific needs and (working) in concert with El Cerrito."

The latter strategy is important, said Eggherman, because the topography of the two communities "at least in the hills" is so similar and, with Kensington contracting with the El Cerrito F.D. for fire protection

services, "we don't have to deal with two sets of standards."

Both Eggherman and Cutright agree the standards clear and straightforward, then, then public as to what they mean, is a critical.

"I think we'll spend a great deal of time beginning educating the population, providing information and then setting target goals," said Eggherman. "It's not all going to be instantly. We're talking about many, many months from the adoption of the ordinance."

Eggherman did point out, however, that he declares any egregious problem a fire hazard while the community is developing new standards.

Cutright said part of his department's job is to put together a list of standards for council consideration that make them more clear. Recently, for example, El Cerrito residents have become concerned about a "fuel break" requirement; some have felt that the ground must be completely clear.

"The (standards) are not intended to be escaping, they're in fact intended to encourage," said Cutright. "People just can't let weeds keep growing."

Cutright also said that "the Bates Bill is an issue of vegetation standards and reducing really just elementary fire hazard reduction

## Potholes

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start at the bottom and patch every pothole they can find with hot asphalt. They are going to move like a parade. But that's only a short term solution.

"I'm getting in touch with a design engineer. We want to look at what will be the correct approach — grinding off the concrete and starting over or some other kind of reinforcement," Struve said.

Overall, both O'Keefe and Struve said city streets are in fair condition, given their age and lack of maintenance.

"Given the age of the community and the amount of resources we have, condition of the streets is about where you'd expect it to be. In the last three years we've been doing a fair amount of reconstruction work," O'Keefe said.

And Struve said he's committed to improving the

city's street "inventory" by better cataloging needed repairs and then making a point to repair problem areas every six weeks.

"It's going to be a good program once we get it up and running. The rain played havoc in January and March, it's kind of hampered us, but I think people are going to see a difference in the next year," he said.

In contrast, The Journal received only one phone call complaining of street conditions in Albany, where one resident likened Brighton Avenue to one big pothole.

Albany Assistant Engineer Jason Baker said that street is under the jurisdiction of Caltrans, though the city has made emergency repairs to the road when conditions warrant immediate action.

Overall, Baker said Albany's streets are in good condition due to a systematic approach to managing

the city's infrastructure.

"We have a pavement management system that keeps us on track and we get grants and are reimbursed to different programs," he said. "For instance that a street may be repaved in conjunction with needed sewer and storm drain repairs, overall costs."

"You throw it into another program, repair and you're paying much less money," he said. Like on Portland Street, with the work we're doing there we're done for the next 20 to 25 years," he said. He also noted that the only street considered in bad condition, Buchanan Street, is being repaved.

Back in El Cerrito, Struve said he would like to see pothole complaints on Norvell Street, Portola and South 56th Street.

## Birth

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major change in their lives by providing a wide range of services for new families including classes, support groups, a small lending library and products for sale, from nursing bras to cloth diapers.

"When I was a young mother, I would have liked to (have known) a lot of these things," said owner Sharon Ledbetter of what she now teaches. Her two sons are now grown and her long wavy hair is now graying.

"I was told by professional people that babies couldn't see or hear for several weeks," she said of her childbearing years. "Now we know that they can see and hear in the womb," she said.

Ledbetter, who has a masters degree in pre- and para-natal psychology, founded the Birth and Bonding Family Center in 1988 to provide a supportive environment for new parents to learn more about pregnancy, childbirth and the early years of parenting. The center moved to Solano Avenue from San Pablo Avenue in Berkeley last fall.

"This is a nicer location for us," she said of the new site in a faux Tudor-style building on lower Solano Avenue. "Mom's can drop in to breast feed while they're downtown shopping," she said.

The center, filled with colorful maternity clothing, plants and artwork, is a welcoming place. Ledbetter greets visitors by taking their hand, and a cup of herbal tea is always available. Browsers can sit and read in the white wicker chairs next to the bookshelves or watch videos on a videocassette recorder in the upstairs loft.

The six-week childbirth classes start with a "check-in" with each couple. At a recent class led by Carol Shattuck-Rice, the mood is light as one couple described their attempts to recreate the womb experience by crawling under the bed covers and kicking. But it changes to serious as the next couple told about a recent trip to the emergency room when false labor pains set in.

In Shattuck-Rice's class, the couples learned about more than just breathing techniques for labor. She paid attention to the bond between parents, as well as the parent-child bond. When asked if the couples had been practicing the breathing exercises, one woman said she practices when she can't sleep at night, but doesn't wake up her husband. A man said he'd been practicing them at work with a buddy whose wife is also expecting. Shattuck-Rice tells the class, without reproach, that it's important for the couples to practice the breathing together.

Earlier that same day Shattuck-Rice taught a hands-on infant massage class to a group of mothers. As the mothers arrive, they park their strollers amongst the racks of flowing print maternity dresses near the front door and carry their babies up the stairs, past a photo exhibit of pregnant women, to the loft.

The babies, all between 3 and 6 months old, lolled naked on large floor cushions (covered by a changing cloth, just in case).

Shattuck-Rice leads the mothers through a series of massages on the stomach, legs, arms and back that they've learned during the four-week class. Three-month-old Taj was visibly delighted, smiling at his mother and squirming with pleasure. When Shattuck-Rice asks if the tummy massages seem to relieve gas, one baby lets out a little explosion on cue, which is met with laughter.

Shattuck-Rice said she started teaching infant massage 14 years ago. She is a trained masseuse and said she "translated down" the techniques she knew for her own children over 20 years ago.

The benefits of infant massage extend beyond the physiological, Shattuck-Rice told her class. It's a good way to spend time with the babies, talk to them and show them love, she said. For at least 30 minutes of the massage, there's not a squeal from the babies, just sucking and cooing noises.

The mothers, too, get a lot more out of the just massage techniques. For one thing, a work assignment is to get a massage themselves during the one and one-half-hour class. They discussed: buying homes, moving, an immigration with a mother-in-law, a consignment baby clothes, and comparisons of babies' hair. Much hair they were born with.

"If you're not around other mothers, you miss all this," said one mother.

"It's nice to be around other babies and another."

"This is the joy of my life," Shattuck-Rice said as she gives out end-of-the-course certificates encourages everyone to stop back in and visit.

After class Shattuck-Rice takes care of the babies while his mother shops downstairs for a new bra and rents a breast pump for storing milk. She tries to carry as many natural products as possible, one's that parents say actually work, said one mother.

Shattuck-Rice is one of the 30-some teachers of the center. A doula is a woman trained to provide support before during and after birth. The center offers a 60-hour training course for women who are then available to assist at births for a fee, ranging from \$350 to free.

The doula meets with the woman at least a week before the birth, stays for the entire birth, several times after the birth. With health care organizations and combined practices, a doula may be seen by several doctors during the birth and may have met the person who delivered for only 15 minutes, said Ledbetter, who is a doula training. A doula provides a continuous presence.

"Between this (infant massage class) and the births, I'm always high," said Shattuck-Rice, smiling.

## Speed

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idea of "bumps, humps or stop signs," believes there's one bottom line, "enforcing the law."

"People pass that Kensington line, and they slow down," she said. "We need to get a reputation like Kensington has."

In a February study session, the city council asked staff to investigate a revision of El Cerrito's stop sign warrants, the advisability of installing speed humps (undulations) in some areas, and the possibility of increasing the police department force, reduced in recent years by financial constraints.

The April 3 study session was designed as a time for staff to update the council on information gathered and to seek further direction. One approach used by Community Development Director Pat O'Keefe to gather that information was pretty straightforward.

"These things get subtle at times," said O'Keefe. "I had four lists in my hand, marked Humps, Cops, Stop Signs and Trailer."

O'Keefe marked the affirmative interest he heard from the council. Reinstating an officer came in first, with three expressions of support from council members that night.

Both O'Keefe and City Manager Gary Pokorney said last week that they expect May and June's budget discussions will involve active consideration of expanding the police force.

"I foresee some substantive discussions on what we want to commit to and over what period of time," said Pokorney. "I look to a larger, more thoroughgoing discussion on that subject than we've had in the last couple of years. This is the year (for that discussion) because of the interest in the traffic enforcement issue

and the opportunity for (special) grants."

Pokorney was referring to several new federal programs which provide grant funding for police officers in different areas. (One, for example, is specifically geared to juvenile crime and crime prevention.) Any such grants would only finance the hiring of an officer for a short period. Eventually, the city would have to finance the new position.

Hiring a traffic officer, would be a partial return to the department's former staffing.

"Three years ago, when we made the severe cutbacks, we did reduce the size of our police force by a couple of officers," said Pokorney. "We did cut out the dedicated traffic enforcement function."

Formerly, two officers worked primarily in traffic. At full force (when no one was on vacation or sick leave), one officer covered traffic during the daytime, another on swingshift. Hiring another officer to allow for more traffic coverage "would be half of that back," Pokorney said.

According to O'Keefe's staff report, "with the elimination of (those) positions, the number of speeding tickets issued by the police department has declined substantially, and the number of complaints about speeding has increased."

O'Keefe also foresees a discussion of police department increase in upcoming budget hearings; financing for speed humps will likely be included in the roadway portion of the budget for council discussion.

Cost for the humps is a critical factor in deciding where they'll be used in the city or whether they'll be used at all.

Some council members have raised the possibility that neighborhoods pay for their own speed humps.

"We'll probably wait to see what the council has to do (during the course of) budget discussions," said.

In the February study session, the city council agreed with staff that different kinds of speed control strategies.

According to the staff report considered by council April 3, "speed humps...are not appropriate for collector or arterial streets that serve as major arteries and access routes for public safety vehicles but may be appropriate for lower volume residential streets."

The staff report suggests that 12-foot speed humps be considered as one tool to use in certain circumstances, as on a low volume, local residential street. Poinsett and Pomona were given as examples. draft policy provides for the city to pay for the installation of the humps, citizens to pay for their removal. 60 percent of the residents on an affected street would have to petition affirming their desire for the humps.

As for stop signs, O'Keefe said he has heard there been enough interest expressed in prior discussions for the council to indicate that members want warrants for them "loosened up" in El Cerrito.

O'Keefe worked with consulting traffic engineer Charlie Abrams and the police department on some of the staff report's suggestions.

In Abrams' opinion, the city's standard stop signs, set in 1985, are somewhat out of date. On the staff report, he has suggested that they be on the use of stop signs for speed control "eliminated and replaced by a new standard of their use on moderate volume streets for speed purposes."



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Gray Cathrall

we've got to hand it to Bobby  
He's a man of his word.  
The week ago Pope, head track  
coach at Berkeley High, predicted  
that the Yellowjackets' 4x100 meter  
team would beat rival Sky-  
line High at the Arcadia National  
Track Meet, a prestigious interna-  
tional high school track meet in  
Southern California held last Sat-

urday to form, Berkeley's 4x100  
team — Marlon Monroe, J'Juan  
Pittman, Gwanee Pittman and  
Darnell Navies — ran a blister-  
ing time of 41.29 seconds in the  
national 400 relay, finishing  
second behind Pasadena's Muir.

to beat Berkeley, however,  
they had to run the fastest 4x100  
team this year, a time of  
41.29 seconds.

at Muir is not the top boys'  
team in California for north-  
west anchor man raced them

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## Concentrated effort



Chester King Vega

Berkeley High School's golf team assembled at Tilden Park last Thursday for a match with Encinal of Alameda. Encinal, which won a match with Berkeley earlier in the week, was short of players and forfeited. Above, junior Dinar Davis putts.

# 1995: St. Mary's golfers score breakthrough year

Panthers ready to roll over Dragons in slated rematch

By Gray Cathrall

This is proving to be the year everyone pays serious attention to St. Mary's golf team.

It's not that the Panthers have been the Rodney Dangerfield of the high school golfing world — they did finish third in the ACCAL last year.

But in a league long dominated by Alameda and St. Joseph, with Piedmont and Bishop O'Dowd regularly jockeying for second place, St. Mary's mid-season record of 9 wins and two losses (5-2 in league) puts it in position to challenge for a North Coast berth for the first time.

Perhaps the clearest signal that the St. Mary's golfers are for real is evidence from their two matches with Piedmont this year. Playing at Alameda Golf Course in a 3-way match with Encinal and Piedmont, the Panthers bested Piedmont by the slimmest of margins, one stroke.

But last week, playing at Richmond Country Club, their home course, it was St. Mary's all the

way, winning by 16 strokes (218-234). The Panthers were led by their No. 1 golfer, freshman Danny Framsted, with a 40.

It was a sweet win for the Panthers, not just because the Highlanders had finished ahead of them for years, but because Framsted beat his opponent, Rob Detling, by seven strokes.

After playing for St. Mary's the past two years, Detling transferred to Piedmont in January, midway through his junior year, and now plays No. 3 for the Highlanders.

Jae Yi, a junior, playing No. 3, shot a 43 to beat Nick Adams by seven. St. Mary's three seniors — Matt Wood (No. 4), Mark McLaughlin (No. 2) and Richie Gabriel (No. 5) — all had 45s, more than enough to beat Piedmont, whose low man was their No. 6, Harry Tung, with a 44.

"We have six kids who can shoot 42 or 43 on any given day," said Phil Dorn, SM golf coach for the past eight years. A team score of 218 will win a lot of high school golf matches (averaging 43.5 strokes per player for nine-holes). Dorn knows his team can do even better. "My kids have shot a 203 this year. They're not yet where Alameda is, shooting in the 190's, but we're closing in."

The Panthers only two losses came against Alameda and O'Dowd, the first and second place teams in the league. The Hornets shot their lowest round of the year that day, a remarkable 189, in which the whole team shot just two over par.

The O'Dowd match was marred by controversy, after the game. St. Mary's Framsted, a freshman, was convinced by his Dragon opponent that he shot an 11 on a hole. Though he knew it was a nine, Framsted acquiesced to the older player and wrote 11 on the score card.

O'Dowd won the match by one stroke, though a correct score would show them losing by one.

St. Mary's golf fans should mark their calendars for April 25. That's the rematch with O'Dowd at Richmond CC. Coach Dorn admits he won't have to say much to motivate his golf team for that one. He may remind them it's for second place in the ACCAL and a possible at-large bid at the end of the season to the North Coast Section playoffs.

In an effort to make up some of its rained out matches, St. Mary's played the equivalent of a double-header on April 4 with De Anza, a full 18 holes. It was a routine win for the Panthers.

## St. Mary's adds to Hall of Fame

The seventh annual Saint Mary's College High School Alumni Sports Hall of Fame Dinner and Awards Night will be held on Saturday, April 29, at the Greek Church of the Ascension in Oakland.

No-host cocktails will be served from 6:30 p.m., and dinner will follow at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$40 per person. Sponsors of tables of eight people

will be listed in the dinner program and the alumni magazine.

For reservations, please call Saint Mary's alumni director, Frank Brady, at 559-6225.

The following outstanding athletes and coaches will be inducted into the 1994-95 Hall of Fame: Bob Beritzhoff, Class of 1939; Larry Brennan, Class of 1956; Lloyd Duncan, Class of 1944; Paul Guillory, Class of 1968; Guy

Higgins, Class of 1942; Mark Moyer, Class of 1966; Doug Murrey, Class of 1977; Russell Murrey, Class of 1976; John Nagy, Class of 1946; Charles "Tony" Potts, Class of 1948; Bob Salini, Class of 1972; and Joe Weiss, Class of 1959.

Proceeds from the Hall of Fame Dinner will benefit the Saint Mary's College High School Scholarship Fund.

# Young players boost Berkeley's tennis game

Gray Cathrall

truth certainly has been no  
ance to the success of Ber-  
keley's tennis team this year.  
ough four of its top five  
players are freshmen, the  
Yellowjackets have produced an  
impressive 5-2 record. Their two  
wins came, perhaps predictably,  
against the perennial powerhouses  
the Bay Valley Athletic Con-  
ference, Monte Vista and De La

really good news, first-year  
coach Frantz Glasz is happy  
with you, is that both DLS and  
Monte Vista have to come to Ber-  
keley for rematches.

"We'll have all our players  
ready and ready," Glasz says.  
Playing at home should help us.  
The match with De La Salle will  
determine who's in second place  
in the league, but we are confident  
of beating them."

When Glasz stepped into the  
role of head coach this year he  
had a lot of talented tennis play-  
ers. Glasz is a professional  
tennis teacher who has been coach-  
ing locally. Carl Jones, who  
headed Berkeley's team the past

three years, spotted Glasz last year  
and encouraged him to take over  
the Yellowjacket team.

Coach Glasz introduced a con-

**'It's a good  
bunch of kids.  
They make it  
really easy for  
me.'**

TENNIS COACH  
FRANTZ GLASZ

ditioning program at the start of  
the tennis season — lots of running  
and strength development — to  
make sure that his players were  
prepared to win long, grueling  
matches. The tryouts for the 1995  
team weren't for everyone.

"Some really good players  
dropped out, including at least one  
ranked player," Glasz explained.  
Nonetheless, in Alex Kopel and  
Peter Kaes, the No. 1 and 2 singles  
players, Berkeley High has a  
couple of freshmen who are ranked  
players. Kopel, ranked in the top-  
10 junior players in Northern Cali-

fornia among 14-year-olds, has  
won all his matches for Berkeley  
except against Liberty and De La  
Salle. To have beaten Monte  
Vista's No. 1 singles player sets  
the tone for a bright Berkeley ten-  
nis future.

Kopel is a groundstroke player  
with "the best tennis mind on the  
team," according to coach Glasz.  
"As our No. 1 singles, he sets the  
perfect example for the team."

Kopel beat Monte Vista's top  
singles player, a NCTA ranked  
player among 18-year-olds, in  
straight sets (6-3, 6-4), but lost to  
Liberty's No. 1 player, the best in  
the BVAL, an exchange student  
from Germany who Glasz says is  
good enough to be playing Divi-  
sion I college tennis right now.

At No. 2 singles, Kaes, the team  
co-captain, already has been  
dubbed "The Comeback Kid" for  
his ability to win regardless of the  
way a match is heading. Against  
Liberty's No. 2, another NCTA  
ranked player, Kaes lost the first  
set 6-0 and was down 4-1 in the  
second set. His opponent was serv-  
ing at 40-15, one point away from  
winning the fifth game, one game  
away from winning the match.

Kaes battled back to win the

second set in tiebreak (7-6), then  
won the third set (7-5) and the  
match to shock his opponent.

Berkeley's No. 3 singles is Alex  
Grubb, also a freshman, a very  
physical, competitive player. He  
plays a solid game, relying on  
ground strokes and a serve-and-  
volley game. Sasha Rossman, the  
only senior playing singles, moves  
up from No. 5 last year to No. 4.  
He's considered a strong base-  
line player who can win long  
matches that go to three sets. He's  
won all but a couple of matches  
this season.

The youngest player, freshman  
Avery Moore at No. 5 singles, is  
considered the Bjorn Borg of the  
Berkeley team. "Everyone he  
plays is bigger, but he returns ev-  
erything," Glasz said. "Avery  
doesn't make many mistakes and  
he keeps his cool. He can rattle  
older, more experienced players.  
He took Monte Vista's player to  
three sets."

At No. 6 singles is team cap-  
tain Kerry Hegarty, a junior and  
at 6-1, the biggest player on the  
team. His only loss was to Antioch  
in three sets. "He's a sure point

for us this year," Glasz said. "He's  
a big, strong kid who does a good  
job as our team captain."

Senior Tidy Bled and junior  
Damian Moskovitz at No. 1  
doubles are the real veterans of  
the BHS squad, though Moskovitz  
is just learning the doubles game.  
They took De La Salle to tiebreak  
in the first set and recently beat  
Pittsburg using smart tactics.

Vernon Gray and Morgan  
Hangartner return intact as a  
doubles team, with Gray praised

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## Berkeley wins two before Pittsburg loss

Regina Beatus

Berkeley High School' girls  
softball had a two-game winning  
streak with important wins against  
Ramon and Antioch this past  
week. Berkeley had a number of  
hits in the game against San  
Ramon, winning with a strong lead

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face two different San Ramon  
pitchers. Kit Reichart came for-  
ward with an important double in  
the game. Strong hitting followed  
with Willi Sanchez, 2-for-4, and  
Celeste Chun, 2-for-3.

The next day Berkeley took on  
Antioch, a league favorite, and  
won 5-3. Pitcher Gwyneth Tripp  
was essential to the win, continu-  
ing her fine performance from the  
day before. From the second to  
the fifth inning Tripp held Antioch  
with 13 consecutive outs. Tripp  
struck out nine batters total.

In the first inning, Antioch  
scored three runs on errors by

Berkeley. Berkeley came back  
with six hits and lots of energy in  
this game, forcing things to hap-  
pen by stealing bases and causing  
Antioch to overthrow. Debby  
Gipsman scored two runs, includ-  
ing the run that evened things up.  
Tolbert scored two runs in this  
game, as she had the night before.

Important singles by Sklut and  
Sarah Rosenkrantz each brought  
in runners. Sklut batted in the  
winning run for Berkeley. Later,  
in the outfield, she came through  
for Berkeley and caught the third  
out, a hard line drive over second

See SOFTBALL, next page



Ted Roberts

## Good season

Berkeley boys' lacrosse team is playing a stellar season, entering play this week with a 5-0 record. Results of this week's contest were unavailable at press time.





## Smart in school, savvy on the court

Several local players took part in the first Academics and Athletics High School All-Star Showcase held in Alameda last Saturday. Participants were nominated by their respective coaches for being outstanding athletes, quality students and good people.

The combined grade point average for the men's game was 3.0; the women's average was 3.45.

Berkeley High's Ryaja Johnson and Maruwa "Moe" Ngumezi played for the girls' teams, which had averaged a GPA of 3.45.

Included on the boys' teams, which had an average grade point of 3.0, were Jeffrey Addiego of St. Mary's College High; Jalil "Dame" Abdul-Latif, Raymond King and Maceo Thomas from El Cerrito; and John Sanger from Albany.

Left: Ryaja Johnson of Berkeley; right: Jalil Abdul-Latif of El Cerrito (l) and Brian Smith of O'Dowd. (Photos by Chester King Vega.)



## Bay Cruisers in Wisconsin tourney

Bay Cruisers' wheelchair basketballers are back from a Wisconsin tourney.

Sarah Putnam of Oakland, averaged 7.5 rebounds a game at the National Junior Wheelchair basketball tournament recently at the University of Wisconsin at Whitewater, as Berkeley's Bay Cruisers finished 11th. The Cruisers had a 2-2 record in the tourney. They lost their first-round game to the Chicago Rebels, 34-29, which sent the team into the consolation bracket.

Against the Chicago Breeze, the Cruisers regained their shooting touch and emerged with an

easy, 42-17 victory.

Up next were the Blues, which proved to be a tough battle, with several changes. But injuries to the Cruisers to the way through the tourney, the Blues took advantage of matches and won an eventual, 55-40 victory.

The Bay Cruisers' defense, and numerous conversions, resulted in a win.

## Tennis

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by his coach as being the most improved of all the 1995 Berkeley players. At No. 3 doubles, Jose Vilar and John Luengroth are paired up while Steve Buy is on the injured list.

In a league long dominated by Monte Vista and De La Salle, the youthful Yellowjackets are going strongly for the top spot in the BVAL. In their first meeting with De La Salle this year, Berkeley

lost 4-5, but with two go, was leading in the and No. 2 doubles.

"That match could either way," coach Reichart. "And we really feel we have a good chance against them."

Of his experience, BHS tennis thus far, Reichart says, "I'm enjoying this. I don't know what to expect, but I think it's a bunch of kids. They're easy for me."

## Softball

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base, to end the game and keep the win.

Berkeley's third game of the week was a close match at home against Pittsburg. This game broke Berkeley's two-game winning streak with a loss to Pittsburg, 3-2. Again pitcher Tripp was outstanding, striking out nine batters, as she had in the Antioch game. Tripp actually pitched 22 innings this past week and remained consistent.

The game was very close, with Berkeley taking an early lead of two runs. Sanchez got on first base

on a walk, then stole around the bases and hit a wild pitch. Tolbert did head-first sliding to get to base. Tolbert scored on sacrifice fly to left field Reichart. In the last few errors by Berkeley resulted in runs by Pittsburg.

Pittsburg had four errors in this game, as with an exciting defense that stopped the Berkeley's Sklut had ball all the way to the Pittsburg's outfielder the shortstop, who then threw a perfect ball to the catcher out at home plate.

Coaches and fans: Share your sports news. Fax results to 339-4066 by Tuesday noon, or call 644-8208.

## WEEKLY SPORTS SCHEDULE

FOR

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Sport	Sch.	Opponent	Team	Loc.	Time
<b>THURSDAY - APRIL 13</b>					
BADMINTON	B	Encinal		H	3:30
BASEBALL	A	Salesian		H	3:30
	B	Monte Vista	V/JV	A/H	3:30
	EC	O'Dowd		H	3:30
GOLF	B	Antioch, at Tilden		H	3:30
	SM	Sacred Heart, SF		A	3:15
SOFTBALL	A	Salesian	V/JV	A/H	3:30
	B	Monte Vista		A	3:45
	EC	O'Dowd		A	3:30
SWIM	EC	Alameda		A	3:30
TENNIS	B	Monte Vista		H	3:30
	EC	St. Mary's		H	3:30
VOLLEYBALL	B	Monte Vista	V/JV	H	5:00/4:00
<b>Friday - April 14</b>					
VOLLEYBALL	EC	De Anza	V/JV	H	5:00/4:00
TRACK	SM	Mt. SAC Relays		A	TBD
	B	Mt. SAC Relays		A	TBD
<b>Monday - April 17</b>					
BASEBALL	EC	El Cerrito Easter Classic - April 17-19 at Cerrito Vista Park			
	A	Berkeley (Scrim.)		H	3:30
	B	Logan Tourn.		A	TBD
<b>Tuesday - April 18</b>					
GOLF	SM	St. Joseph		H	3:15
<b>Wednesday - April 19</b>					
BASEBALL	B	Emeryville (Scrim.)		TBA	TBA
LACROSSE-W	B	St. Mary's		H	4:00
<b>Thursday - April 20</b>					
BASEBALL	A	Urban (SF)		H	3:30
GOLF	B	Sacred Heart, at Harding GC, SF			3:30
LACROSSE-M	B	Skyline	Var	H	4:00

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## Track

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to victory, a fraction ahead of Berkeley.

The first visit of Coach Pope to Arcadia National was a successful one. His runners entered six events and placed in the top-five in all of them.

Cherry won the invitational 200

Monroe came in sixth in 22.07.

Cherry placed fifth in the invitational 100 meters in 10.90 and ran the second leg of the 4x400 relay race, helping his team to fourth place in a time of 3:21.63. Donte Doiron ran the opening leg of the 4x400, with Navies and Monroe running third and fourth legs.

In the seeded division, Joe Cokes ran a fast time of 15.10 in the 110 high hurdles to place fifth, and Monroe won the 400 meters in 48.47.

"I was very pleased with our performance," coach Pope said. "I felt like we really stepped up to the next level. Competing against that kind of talent gets us better prepared for the state meet."

TRACK COACH BOBBY POPE

in 21.76 in competition with top runners from around the U.S., Australia and Canada. It was all the more remarkable because he was running in lane 1, the most difficult lane in the 200 meters.

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## Prep work and pricing are key to speedy sale

By Maggie Sharpe

It was the day after "The Move" when I talked to Pam and Mike Crane who recently sold their home on Mariposa in Berkeley and bought a much bigger home (they have three sons) on Redwood.

The Cranes are clients of Realtor Andrea Land who helped them sell their Mariposa house in a record-breaking two days.

"Andrea gave us a lot of useful advice," said Pam. "She told us to take down the curtains in the living and dining rooms to show off the beautiful wood windows. We redid the front yard and planted flowers. Andrea helped us to streamline the look of our home so we shipped out boxes and boxes of books and toys. I think we ended up with half our lives in storage!"

The Cranes decided to tackle the major structural work ahead of time rather than leave it as a point of negotiation during sale. Although the work took a couple of months and a few thousand dollars, the couple felt the much-reduced termite report was a big plus in selling the home.

After a midnight bidding war, the Cranes' home finally sold for \$100,000 over the asking price.

"We did a lot of hard prep work," says Pam and Mike, who wanted to stay up after the boys went to bed until 1 or 2 in the morning, patching and painting.

"Our friends thought we were crazy," says Pam, "but we realized the importance of getting

the house into tiptop condition. People, especially in Berkeley, are delighted to find a home in move-in condition. People want to live in the hills but they don't want to take on a house that needs any kind of major repairs."

K. and Ed Blonz are another couple who benefited from Andrea's experience when it came to getting their home ready for sale. "Andrea came to our house, looked around, then told us what areas needed to be addressed," recalls K.

Those improvements included a coat of paint (actually a whitewash, or "pickle") for the dark kitchen cabinets, new linoleum on the kitchen floor and new swag curtains in the living room and den, which K. custom-designed herself.

"There were other details that Andrea suggested," said K., "such as touching up the paint, changing the white trim on our pink house to a Santa Fe green and adding color to the garden by planting annuals."

Like the Cranes' home, K. and Ed's Berkeley hills house sold quickly. Just two weeks after the sign went up, the Blonzs were in negotiation with the successful buyers.

"We probably spent about \$3,000 on prep work," says K., "but it was definitely worthwhile. Andrea helped us see what we needed to do so that potential buyers could get a vision of themselves living in our home. Her suggestions helped our house appeal to a broader audience."

## Get top dollar for a home in mint condition

By Andrea Land

In the last few months I have had a record number of listings sell quickly and within at least 95 percent of the original asking price. The most recent one, in fact, went well over the asking price after only two days on the market!

People keep asking me if there is something that I am doing that makes my listings sell so fast. The answer is simple: a knowledge of exactly what buyers are looking for when they compare one property on the market to another, and a lot of hard work before putting a listing on the market.

To be more concrete, here's a brief history of a few of those "success listings," all sold over the last couple of months, with prices ranging up over a half million dollars.

### Speedy sale

The listing that was for sale the longest before getting an acceptable offer was marketed for only five weeks. The house itself was gorgeous, but there were some definite drawbacks.

Located in Elmwood near a busy thoroughfare and right across the street from Alta Bates Hospital, it had a small back yard that was anything but private. An urban setting to be sure, and we wanted our asking price to reflect that reality. In fact, after four weeks on the market with numerous showings but no offers, we lowered the asking price just \$10,000. Within a week we had a good, clean offer from delighted buyers.

Next was another fabulous home, this one in the upper Berkeley hills: panoramic Bay views, sponged walls, an enormous custom-de-

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Before: The owners have already moved out, leaving the living room looking stark and uninviting.



After: Andrea Land "warmed" the room with the addition of a mirror, pictures, some furniture and two vases brimming over with colorful flowers.

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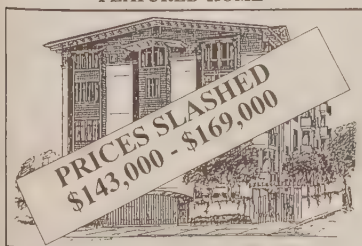


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# Mason-McDuffie agents become Friends of the Fountain

## Reconstruction of fountain scheduled to begin in June

Agents from Mason-McDuffie's North Berkeley office gathered recently at the site of the Marin Circle Fountain which their contributions are helping to restore. Agents donated a total of \$1,000 to the Friends of the Fountain and Walk, including matching funds from office manager Tim Cannon.

"Mason-McDuffie's generous donation has taken us yet another step toward our goal of \$70,000," said Philip O'Hay, one of several people who initiated the restoration of Marin Fountain and Walk, in Berkeley's Northbrae neighborhood, back in 1991. With \$63,000 already in the bank, reconstruction of the fountain and pool is slated to begin June 1 and be completed by summer's end.

"There's a lot of prep work to be done," says O'Hay. "We have to install an underground water supply, pour the pool itself, and put in electricity and lighting. At night, the water will cascade down the lighted fountain. It will look really beautiful."

The Friends are also earmarking some of the money — most of it from private individuals and local businesses — to hire a private contractor to help maintain the Fountain and Walk once it is completed.

Northbrae was developed between 1907 and 1910 by the Mason-McDuffie Company and came to be called the most beautifully ornamented residence district in California. Leading architects of the day such as John Galen Howard, Walter Ratcliff, Julia Morgan, John Hudson Thomas and Henry Guterson assisted with its development and designed houses for it.

The project was possible because of the new electric interurban train lines that had recently been built. Electric transportation was introduced to Berkeley in 1891, greatly expanded by the Key Route in 1903, and supplemented by the big red trains of the Southern Pacific in 1911 (for which the Solano Tunnel was built in 1910). In those days, you could commute from Berkeley to San Francisco in about 35 minutes for a 10-cent fare.

Northbrae's focal point is "The Circle," a traffic roundabout where six streets meet. In the center of The Circle was a handsome fountain — Berkeley's first public work of art. The stone corner posts, balustrade, and fountain were all the work of John Galen Howard, supervising architect of the University of California.

Arthur Putnam, celebrated animal sculptor, was commissioned to design four grizzly bear cubs to decorate the fountain, which was fed by underground springs. A grand pedestrian avenue, Fountain Walk, descended from the Circle to a Howard-designed train station at Del Norte and Sutter.

The fountain was destroyed in 1958 by a runaway truck and the balustrade and walk have been allowed to deteriorate. But recently there has been a grass-roots movement to rebuild it.

"We are proud to be a part of the effort to restore the Fountain," said Tim Cannon. "The Fountain was part of the landscape when the area was originally developed by Mason-McDuffie. Its restoration will be a wonderful addition to the Northbrae neighborhood."

The development and architecture of Northbrae, a subdivision



Real estate agents from Mason-McDuffie's North Berkeley office gathered recently at the site of the Marin Fountain and Walk. A donation of \$1,000 will help restore.

that covers almost 1,000 acres of the north Berkeley hills, will be the topic of a lecture given by Trish Hawthorne on Wednesday, May 10, 7:30 p.m. at the Northbrae Community Church, 941 The Alameda, Berkeley. Tickets are \$10 and can be ordered in advance

from The Fountain Committee, c/o Mason-McDuffie Real Estate, 1539 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley, CA 94709 (please include a self-addressed stamped envelope).

Trish Hawthorne is a Berkeley historian, lecturer, and writer. She is a founding member of the Ber-

keley Architectural Heritage Association (BAHA) and former Chairman of the Berkeley Landmarks Commission. Her slide-illustrated lecture is an encore of the sold-out program presented last year in conjunction with BAHA's Northbrae House Tour.

For more information, call Linda Perry (510) 527-0100 or Barbara O'Hay (510) 527-0100.

## Realtors host public seminar April 22

Celebrating Homebuyer Education Month, the Oakland Association of Realtors will host a first-time home buyer's seminar on April 22 at the association headquarters, 1528 Webster St., Oakland, from 9:30 a.m. to noon.

The program will feature a "panel of experts" including knowledgeable professionals to help prospective buyers obtain a better understanding of the homebuying process. The panel will also include representatives from the City of Oakland and Emeryville first-time homebuyer

programs.

The presentation will include: current programs available, what it takes to qualify, what an agent does, credit, title insurance and the importance of home inspections. The panel discussion will be followed by roundtable discussions where buyers can get pre-qualified, and ask specific questions of the participating experts.

ORAR President Kevin Brown said, "This coalition of real estate professionals is working together to help all interested homebuyers receive the information and

knowledge they need to navigate through the complex homebuying process, and ultimately reach their goal of homeownership. I encourage any interested member of the community to participate in this event."

The program will be conducted in English; however, there will be representatives available who speak Spanish and Cantonese. Materials will also be available in those languages.

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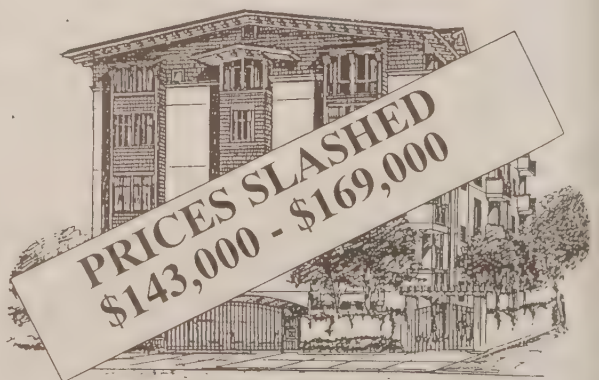
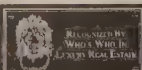
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# Overgrowth of moss will disappear in summer

Q: I have a large area in my yard that has moss. Is there any way to get rid of it other than removing the mossy grass and planting new grass?

A: Because of the winter storms in January and March, moss grew everywhere. It grew not only in turf but on any type of surface that was cool and moist. This will disappear as we start to get warmer, dryer days.

There are fungicides like Daconil that you can spray to control the moss, but they will not eradicate it. Mother Nature will take care of it herself. The grass will emerge from under the moss and die off. Wait for the moss to completely die off, then evaluate the area, and any bare spots can be seeded at that time.

Q: My parents have several Japanese maple trees that have been losing their seeds during the past years. Is there a way to plant and



the dirt gardener

by Buzz Bertolero

*cultivate these seeds into seedlings? Any help is appreciated. They live in Sonoma County, between Sebastopol and Occidental.*

A: Japanese maple seeds germinate satisfactorily if they are first placed in warm water (about 110 degrees), and allowed to soak for two days. Dry the seeds with a paper towel and store in a plastic bag at 40 degrees for 90 days. Germinate the seeds in flats filled with sand or a good potting mix. After

the seedlings reach two inches in height, transplant into individual pots; once they reach 10 inches they can be set out into the landscape or transplanted into larger containers.

Q: I have a fuchsia tree that is 10 feet tall growing in our patio. How much trimming can I do and how far down can it be cut?

A: Fuchsias are pruned heavily each year and then fertilized to encourage as much new growth as possible. Why? Because fuchsias bloom on the first year's wood. When the first year's growth is left, it becomes woody and unattractive and this results in a plant that becomes tall and spindly with the blooms at the end of all this growth.

Now is the time to prune fuchsias, even though they may have leaves. Because your plant is so large, determine the desired height that you would like it and then prune it back 50 percent. Feed monthly with fish emulsion until July, then

switch to 0-10-10 fertilizer for the remainder of the blooming period.

Q: We have two medium-sized (16 feet high) white birch trees in our back yard and want to prune them (head them back). When is the best time of year to do this? Is now a good time? Two weeks ago, I cut off two small (one inch diameter) branches and water dripped out steadily for 1-1/2 days. Does this harm the tree?

A: The best time to prune birch trees is when they are dormant, November 15 through February 15, before the sap starts to rise in the trees. However, you can still prune them after they have leafed out but they do bleed, the sap will ooze from the cuts. Birch trees should be pruned on the sides only and not at the top.

Send your questions to Buzz Bertolero, C.C.N., c/o Hills Newspapers, 6208 La Salle Ave., Oakland 94611.

# Stop drug use on rental property

Landlords and property managers can learn how to prevent and remove drug dealing on their property in a workshop facilitated by Oakland Police Department's Beat Health Unit.

The workshop will be held on Friday, April 21, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. at the Oakland Association of Realtors (OAR) auditorium, 1528 Webster St.

The program is co-sponsored by the Beat Health Unit, OAR, and the Apartment House Association of Northern Alameda County. The cost to attend the training is \$10 and reservations are required.

The four-hour workshop will cover the steps owners and property managers can take to screen out drug dealers and users effectively and legally; make their property unattractive to people who deal and use drugs; and spot the signs of illegal activity on their property and take action to remove it.

The workshops, begun in spring 1993, have been well-attended and popular. Almost 800 owners and managers have been trained to date. The co-sponsors will continue to offer the training as demand warrants.

Call 893-9873 to register.

# Home inspectors meet tonight

The Golden Gate Chapter of the American Society of Home Inspectors hosts its monthly meeting tonight, Thursday, April 13, 7

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## Real Estate Hotline

by Heidi and Jerry Long

### In case of a multiple offer

**Q:** We're just getting ready to start house-hunting. Some friends recently told us they have already made offers on two houses and both times they lost the houses to other people who made better offers. What can we do to avoid this?

**A:** We sympathize with your concern, but do not think there is any way to avoid these multiple offer situations except giving up trying to buy a house. Or else you could look for a house in areas where people generally do not want to buy.

In years past, multiple offers have occurred each spring when some particularly nice house came on the market. But last year we saw multiple offers all year long, and this year they seem almost the rule rather than the exception. This is because of the severe lack of inventory in the housing market in the more desirable areas.

Let's use the north side of Berkeley, where we do most of our business, as an example, although what we say will probably apply to southern El Cerrito, Albany, the Elmwood, Claremont, Rockridge, and Montclair as well. Sales dropped way down in 1991 and have been steadily rising ever since.

Berkeley Association of Real-

tors' data show total Berkeley sales in the late '80s averaging just under 700 houses a year. They dropped to 480 in 1991, rose to 589 in '92, 600 in '93, and went up to 637 in '94. They would probably have been higher in '94 except that the rise in interest rates somewhat cooled the ardor of buyers who were out in force in the spring.

Now that interest rates have stabilized without going up through the roof, those buyers are back. Those years of low sales have created a strong pent-up demand. There are a lot of buyers who realize that interest rates are still low, that the economy is relatively stable, that the decrease in housing values of the early '90s has hit bottom, that it doesn't make sense to pay \$1,000 or \$1,500 a month rent when one could be paying the same amount on a mortgage on one's own house, and that now is a good time to buy a house.

If they have been paying attention, they also realize they want that house to be in a good neighborhood. The drop in values of the early '90s was not nearly as severe in "nice" neighborhoods as in marginal neighborhoods. The old maxim of "location, location, loca-

See **HOTLINE**, page 23

### Area Home Sales

**ALAMEDA**  
301 Broadway #203 - \$175,000  
1416 Cottage St. - \$130,500  
1204 Grand St. #B - \$230,000  
308 Maitland Dr. - \$190,000  
1813 Nason St. - \$167,500  
771 Santa Clara Ave. - \$220,000  
310 Tralee Lane - \$387,000  
416 Yorkshire Rd. - \$265,000

**ALBANY**  
412 Cornell Ave. - \$225,000  
906 Fillmore St. - \$168,000  
718 Talbot Ave. - \$230,000

**BERKELEY**  
1435 Curtis St. - \$221,500  
2700 Le Conte Ave. #204 - \$149,000  
1724 Marin Ave. - \$312,000  
2100 Marin Ave. - \$410,000  
2813 Mathews St. - \$255,000

**EL CERRITO**  
1324 Devonshire Ct. - \$295,000

**EL SOBRANTE**  
2506 Patra Dr. - \$365,000  
3871 Wesley Way - \$160,000

**EMERYVILLE**  
1274 61st St. - \$225,000  
4 Admiral Dr. #B429 - \$102,000

**KENSINGTON**  
87 Richardson Rd. - \$220,000

**OAKLAND**  
2727 Bellaire Pl. - \$103,000  
5659 Broadway - \$216,000  
6925 Chambers Dr. - \$295,000  
7531 Circle Hill Dr. - \$169,500  
4020 Coolidge Ave. - \$190,000  
3857 Dale Pl. - \$145,000  
2821 Eastman Ave. - \$125,000  
5652 Estates Dr. - \$255,000  
3930 Lincoln Ave. - \$130,000  
706 Mandana Blvd. - \$275,000  
4069 Maple Ave. - \$157,000  
2144 Mastlands Dr. - \$355,000  
4518 Mattis Ct. - \$220,000  
4101 Maynard Ave. - \$185,000  
20 Moyer Pl. - \$397,500  
2651 Nicol Ave. - \$125,500  
2459 Palmetto St. - \$148,000  
347 Perkins St. #A - \$158,000  
4820 Reinhardt Dr. - \$209,000  
4876 Reinhardt Dr. - \$205,000  
73 Samaria Lane - \$187,000  
8000 Shay Dr. - \$248,000  
492 Staten Ave. #1103 - \$225,000  
4635 Stauffer Pl. - \$230,000  
4244 Suter St. - \$109,000

4331 Tompkins Ave. - \$140,000  
1115 Trestle Glen Rd. - \$227,500  
2714 Viola St. - \$150,000  
2724 Viola St. - \$154,000

#### SALES STATS BY CITY

**ALAMEDA**  
TOTAL SALES: 8  
LOWEST PRICE: \$130,500  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$387,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$220,625

**ALBANY**  
TOTAL SALES: 3  
LOWEST PRICE: \$168,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$230,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$207,666

**BERKELEY**  
TOTAL SALES: 5  
LOWEST PRICE: \$149,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$410,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$269,500

**EL CERRITO**  
TOTAL SALES: 1  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$295,000

**EL SOBRANTE**  
TOTAL SALES: 2  
LOWEST PRICE: \$160,000

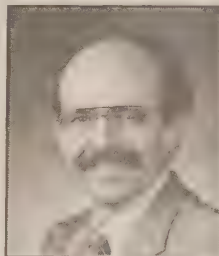
HIGHEST PRICE: \$387,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$220,625  
**EMERYVILLE**  
TOTAL SALES: 2  
LOWEST PRICE: \$130,500  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$387,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$220,625  
**KENSINGTON**  
TOTAL SALES: 1  
LOWEST PRICE: \$220,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$220,000  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$220,000  
**OAKLAND**  
TOTAL SALES: 29  
LOWEST PRICE: \$103,000  
HIGHEST PRICE: \$397,500  
AVERAGE PRICE: \$177,000

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means more when prices are falling than it does when everything is going up.

So, when a nice house in a good neighborhood comes on the market at a realistic price there are very likely several sets of buyers who recognize this situation for what it is at the same time. There will be multiple offers.

A multiple offer situation can be seen as an affirmation of your perception that this is a desirable property. It need not be feared. Rather, be caught to think through your approach to such a situation, if

you find yourselves in one.

Do you really think this is the house for you? Are you going to live there for long enough that any overbid you might make will be amortized over a number of years of contented living? Can you afford to buy this place for something more than you would have liked to have bought it for? Once you clarify your own circumstances and attitudes, give it your best shot.

We bought our first house in 1987. We outbid six other competitors, including in our offer our willingness to continue to rent the house to the sellers' friends at a rent about

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The biggest mistake we've seen is buyers who underestimate the value of advance preparation in a active market. Interview and choose a Realtor NOW before the right house comes along. Make sure your Realtor knows what you're looking for so he/she will let you know as soon as a likely property comes on the market. This will buy you time.

There is no advantage to being noncommittal if you really want to buy a house. Then make sure to talk to at least one lending institution to get a good idea of your financial capabilities.

Your ability to deal with a multiple offer situation will be greatly enhanced if your real estate agent does a good job of information management during this anxiety-producing time. Make sure to find out as much as you can about the

property: its physical condition; proximity to schools, shopping, parks, BART, etc; important attributes of the neighborhood like fault lines, slide zones, the water table, etc; to be certain you would like to complete the purchase.

It takes additional commitment to come out in first position. Learn what particular needs and motivations are operating for the sellers. Have your agent provide you with data about what other nearby houses have sold for recently. Then, if there is time between your first finding this property and the time you present the offer, have your inspections so you can construct an offer without an inspection contingency.

It's imperative that you write your best offer in a multiple offer situation since you're not likely to have the opportunity to improve upon it. The sellers will accept the best offer and the rest will be left in the dust.

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## Bad weather causes decline in first-quarter home sales

Sales of California detached homes increased during February from January's level, but declined from the unseasonably strong pace of February, 1994, according to the latest statistics from the California Association of Realtors (C.A.R.).

"The series of severe winter storms which struck most of California in late December and January clearly put a damper on initiated sales at that time, leading to a decline in closed escrow sales during February from the unusually strong pace registered a year ago," said C.A.R. president Ed Albers.

"It is encouraging, however, that California home sales increased during February from the month before — a sign that many homebuyers are beginning to respond to continued declines in mortgage interest rates," said Albers, a Sacramento Realtor.

Among highlights of C.A.R.'s February resale housing figures:

• Statewide, 408,340 existing, single-family detached homes closed escrow during February on a seasonally-adjusted, annualized basis, up 2.9 percent from a revised annualized rate of 396,960 homes sold in January.

• The February sales pace declined 18.6 percent from the February 1994 annualized rate, when 501,400 homes were sold. (The February 1994 sales pace was the highest for any February since that month in 1990, when sales were 546,160 on a seasonally-adjusted, annualized basis.)

The annualized figure represents what would be the total num-

ber of homes sold during 1995 if sales occurred at the February pace throughout the year. It is adjusted to account for seasonal factors which influence home sales.

• The statewide median price of an existing, single-family detached home sold during February was \$173,810, down 1.9 percent from a revised \$177,200 in January. The February median price was down 5 percent from February 1994, when the median-priced home sold for \$182,950.

• Fixed mortgage interest rates averaged 8.83 percent during February, down from an average of 9.15 percent in January, according to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. The average fixed mortgage interest rate was 7.15 percent in February 1994. Adjustable mortgage interest rates averaged 6.68 percent in February, down from 6.82 percent in January, and up from 4.2 percent in February 1994.

"Since mortgage rates peaked in mid-December at 9.25 percent fixed rates have tumbled 85 basis points to 8.4 percent last week — their lowest level since August 1994," said Leslie Appleton-Young, C.A.R.'s vice president of research and economics.

"We expect today's favorable mortgage interest rates to fuel a solid spring homebuying season in California. Home sales also will benefit this spring from the ongoing California economic recovery and the pent-up demand which was generated during the last several weeks by the state's severe winter storms," said Appleton-Young.

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# Mint

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signed home office. But a busy street, numerous steps up. Again, we priced it in the low \$400,000s, well under what the same home would have fetched on a quieter street; it sold after just three weeks on the market, very close to asking price.

The next listing was a sweet starter cottage in North Berkeley, charming and adorable, in great shape with a large wonderful back yard, but near a somewhat commercial street and a large-ish but quiet apartment house. We listed and sold it in less than a week, with one open house, virtually at our (very reasonable) asking price.

Next, my Personal Best. Unusual for Berkeley in that it honest-to-goodness had no drawbacks, it was close to the perfect listing. Set mid-block on a coveted, tree-lined street in North Berkeley, the sellers had done very tasteful and extensive remodeling.

It boasted four plus bedrooms, including a gorgeous new architect-designed master suite, two and a half baths, a big remodeled kitchen, three flowing, light-filled levels of living space, plus a nice back yard. The only reason my clients decided to move (reluctantly) is that they needed, and we had found them, a much larger home.

Listed in the mid-\$500,000s on a recent Tuesday, we sold it, with a backup offer, two days later! For the first time in over a month of feverish preparation, my sellers got to take a Saturday off and not even think about their house.

## On-stage

Back a hundred years ago when I was young and still liked to stay up



Before: Summer has not yet arrived and the exterior of this home-for-sale is lacking in color.

at night, I used to be in theater. Then, in the '60s and well into the '80s, before having my little one, I organized and participated in a number of political events, each of which took months of careful calculation, preparation and attention to detail.

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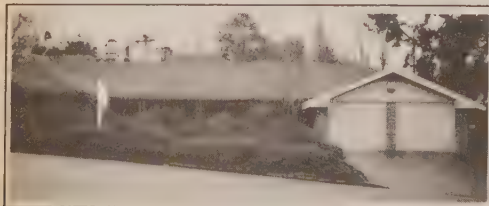
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...time, money, skills (and some-  
...own furniture) into every  
...start off by picturing the  
...and grounds from an imag-  
...pers' point of view. Then  
...I, the sellers and what re-  
...as a small army of workers—  
...the next few days, weeks or  
...getting the property ready  
...future owners. More than one  
...has remarked to me plain-  
...Andrea, this doesn't feel  
...your house any more!" I tell  
...that even though it's painful,  
...part of a process; it helps you

...how they feel because  
...last year I put myself and my  
...through the same procedure.  
...I put my own house on the  
...for example, I put every-  
...book and bookshelf into stor-  
...along with about three-quar-  
...of other possessions.

...I'm a reader and I think  
...are very decorative, but un-  
...you have the wood-paneled,  
...lined library that goes with  
...solarium, game room and cen-  
...sation system, your books are  
...I mean this in the nicest  
...able way, as Anne Lamott likes  
...—just clutter to most poten-

...tainers.  
...object, and this is part of my  
...that is no secret, is to have  
...property polished, repaired and  
...ready for our "audience"  
...the time the curtain goes up on  
...night. And like any direc-  
...lose sleep running around  
...ing for that perfect prop and  
...about my cast and crew  
...ready on time. I love the ex-  
...; I'm in my element and I  
...all my.

**Time and money**  
...Before we go on, there is one  
...you as a seller should know  
...you even consider begin-  
...this process. There is no law  
...mandates that you have to  
...every last dollar out of the  
...of your own home! There are  
...less stressful ways to make



After: The simple addition of four large, colorful, ceramic flower pots leading up to the house does much to enhance first impressions.

money: gun running or lion taming,  
for example. Or even your very  
own job.

You can always simply list for  
less and avoid  
the work: it all  
gets played out  
in the sales  
price. But if you  
want to get ab-  
solutely top dol-  
lar for your  
home, and most  
of us want and need to do so, you'll  
need to commit yourself to some  
hard work and sometimes a fair  
amount of money paid out.

By the time we had this last list-  
ing ready to market, it was bur-  
nished to a soft glow. We made sure  
that everything we did was what we  
ourselves would have wanted had  
we been the new buyers, which is  
exactly what you are after when

you prepare your own home to sell.  
Now is the time to do all those  
nagging little fix-it-items that you've  
been putting off for the past five

ing for what is going to be their  
special home. In today's over-  
worked world, most buyers will pay  
a premium for being able to move

## I lose sleep running around searching for that perfect prop and worrying about my cast and crew being ready on time.

years. Buyers want to move into a  
house that needs as little work as  
possible, unless it's a fixer-upper.  
Get the chimney looked at, repair  
the roof. Rent a storage space and  
thin out your belongings, even your  
furniture. Put away your collections.  
Sparse is good.

### Absolute best

It's no coincidence that develop-  
ers spend thousands and thousands  
of dollars decorating model homes,  
down to the food in the kitchen and  
the brand of toothpaste in the bath-  
room.

Homebuyers, like all shoppers,  
want to see what they might buy  
looking its absolute best. In fact,  
buyers appreciate special market-

into a home that  
has been well-  
repaired and  
shows well.

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ception, all of the  
buyers of the  
above listings  
are very happy  
with the purchases and apprecia-  
tive of the preparation we put into  
the sale.

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home, including your asking price,  
come as close as possible to the  
home "your" buyer wants to buy,  
based realistically on the pluses and  
minuses of your property.

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GRUBB Company Karen Starr 339-0400  
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Bennett 531-7000 MLS 035939  
GLENARMS DRIVE, New Const. 4bd/3ba, Level Lot, 3 Frpl \$499,500  
Palmer, Broker 559-9134  
ROBINSON DR, 3bd/2ba, Loft, SF/Bay View, New Listing! \$457,000  
Reister 530-2990 OPEN SATURDAY APRIL 22nd ONLY! 10AM-8PM  
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GRUBB Company, Don Grubb Jr. 339-0400  
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RESTLE GLEN, Crocker, Spacious 3 1/2, Upgrades, + Rm \$319,000  
Banker, Terry Kulka 339-1174 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
HEARTWOOD, Montclair, Charismatic 3/2, Frpl/Porch/Deck \$310,000  
Bank, Donna Costella 339-6460 X355 SATURDAY ONLY 2-4:30  
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Banker, Ticia Swift 486-1495  
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Ward Company 845-6021 OPEN SUNDAY 2-4  
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## Events

**Vegetable Gardens and Culinary Herbs** is the subject of a talk at Berkeley Horticultural Nursery, 1310 McGee Ave., Berkeley, on Saturday, April 15, 10 a.m. Free. Call 526-4704.

A home buyer's **Informational Seminar** will take place Thursday, April 20, 7 p.m. at Mason-McDuffie's Orinda office, 25 Orinda Way, Suite 200. Topics to be discussed include onsite qualifying and loan quotes, title and escrow, the insurance crisis in California, tax planning, home warranties, home inspections, and handling the actual move. There will also be door prizes, giveaways and refreshments. Reservations required. Call Janine at 210-6094.

Custom Financial Services presents **Home Ownership: A Reality of the '90s**, Saturday, April 22, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at 262 Grand Ave., Oakland. This interactive workshop is designed to put prospective buyers into their own home. The \$50 registration fee will be waived for the first 35 registrants. Participants will receive the Community Home Buyer Program Certificate. Registration required. Call 444-2100.

Realty Advocates presents **Sell Your Home Yourself and Save Thousands in Commissions**, a three-hour seminar co-taught by George Devine, author of the Nolo Press book "For Sale by Owner," on Thursday, April 20, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, April 22, 1 - 4 p.m. \$35 per person or \$50 couple which includes a copy of the book. Registration required. Call 428-0757.

The California Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society hosts its **Annual Show and Sale**, Sat. & Sun., April 22-23 at the San Francisco County Fair Building, Golden Gate Park. Public welcome. Admission \$1. Hours are Saturday, 1 - 5 p.m.; Sunday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Call (415) 348-1797 for more information.

First Interstate Bank hosts a **Free Home Buyer's Workshop** at their branch at 5801 Christie Ave., Emeryville, on Saturday, April 22, 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. The workshop will show people how they may be able to buy a home with just a 3 to 5 percent downpayment if they are on a low to moderate income. Participants will receive a certificate of completion that is necessary to qualify for many low downpayment programs. Reservations required. Call Louise Lovewell at 351-5555.

**Women Empowering Women** presents **Plumbing for Women**,

Saturday, April 22, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. at 2830 9th St., Berkeley. Learn how to repair leaky faucets, unclog drains and discover what's in the tank behind the toilet! \$45 - \$60 sliding scale. Registration required. Call 649-6265.

A **free first-time home buyers seminar** will be sponsored by Mason-McDuffie, PCR Financial and First American Title Company, Saturday, April 22, 10 a.m., 2855 Telegraph Ave., Suite 100. Mortgage broker Russell Doi will explain first-time buyer loan programs. Real estate agent Wendy Kashiwa will explain the process from the initial search to close of escrow. Lavonne Martin and Geri Mitchell of First American Title will demystify escrow. Attendees will receive current information on properties available in their price range. Reservations required. Call Russell at 526-6554.

The Building Education Center, 812 Page St., Berkeley, presents four classes on Saturday, April 22: **A Roofing Primer**, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., \$75; **Termites & Structural Pests: Are You in Denial?** 10 a.m. - 5 p.m., \$75; **Framing Carpentry**, Sat. & Sun., 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., \$180; and **Deckbuilding**, two Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., \$180. Reservations required. Call 525-7610.

The Bay Area Black Architects (BABA) presents an **Exhibit of Architectural Works** through April 23 at the Oakland Museum Restaurant, 1000 Oak St., Oakland. The works include commercial and residential projects and reflect various stages of the design and construction process.

Hillside Gardeners of Montclair hosts a **Plant Sale and Boutique** on Tuesday, April 25 at Montclair Recreation Center, 6300 Moraga Ave., Oakland. Refreshments served at 11:30 a.m. Bring your lunch; coffee and tea provided. For more information call 339-1404.

**Women Empowering Women** presents **Electricity for Women, Part 1**, Saturday, April 29, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m., at 2830 9th St., Berkeley. Learn the basics of home electrical repair from skilled tradeswomen. \$45 - \$60 sliding scale. Registration required. Call 649-6265.

For inclusion in Events, send information to Maggie Sharpe, Real Estate, Hills Newspapers, 5707 Redwood Rd., Oakland, 94619. Phone: 339-4047; Fax: 339-4066. Information must be received one week prior to publication.

**Public Notices**  
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**NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF WILLIAM EDWIN MACBEATH a/k/a WILLIAM E. MACBEATH and W.E. MACBEATH**  
Case Number P95-00613  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may be otherwise interested in the will or estate, or both, of WILLIAM EDWIN MACBEATH, a/k/a WILLIAM E. MACBEATH and W.E. MACBEATH: A PETITION has been filed by James Hoover in the Superior Court of California, County of CONTRA COSTA. THE PETITION requests that: James Hoover be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests that the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court. THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The Independent Administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A HEARING on the petition will be held on May 11, 1995 at 11 a.m. in Dept. 51, Room 8001 located at 725 Court Street Room #103, Martinez, CA 94553. IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in section 9100 of the California Probate Code. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above. YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court if you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a formal Request for Special Notice of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in section 1250 of the California Probate Code. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Attorney for petitioner: FOLEY MCINTOSH & FOLEY, PC 3675 Mt. Diablo Blvd., #250 Lafayette, California 94549 Signed: James D. Foley Attorney for Petitioner The Journal April 13, 20, 27, 1995

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 95-1573  
The Name of the Business: The Premium Reversion, P.O. Box 6788.

**Public Notices**  
Concord, CA 94524 846 Birchwood Drive, Pittsburg, CA 94565  
I am hereby registered by the following Owner: Geoffrey A. Quares, 846 Birchwood Drive, Pittsburg, CA 94565  
This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on March 15, 1995. The Journal April 13, 20, 27, May 4, 1995

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 95-2072  
The Names of the Businesses  
1) Financial Services for Higher Learning 2) FSHL, P.O. Box 6788, Concord, CA 94524 846 Birchwood Drive, Pittsburg, CA 94565  
Are hereby registered by the following Owner: Geoffrey A. Quares, 846 Birchwood Drive, Pittsburg, CA 94565  
This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on April 5, 1995. The Journal April 13, 20, 27, May 4, 1995

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 95-1981  
The Name of the Business  
1) HumoWorks 2) The Works, 4505 Wolverine Way, Antioch, CA 94509  
Are hereby registered by the following Owner: Cynthia E. Hellerud-Hadden, 4505 Wolverine Way, Antioch, CA 94509  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 95-1579  
The Name of the Business: Moneyworks, 4505 Wolverine Way, Antioch, CA 94509  
Is hereby registered by the following Owner: Lorin C. Hadden, 4505 Wolverine Way, Antioch, CA 94509  
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**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT**  
File No. 95-1572  
The Name of the Business: Laser Discovery, 1330 N. Broadway, Walnut Creek, CA 94596  
Is hereby registered by the following Owner: Sandra Khoo, 60 Falkirk Lane, Hillsborough, CA 94010  
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# Automotive

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## 1996 Ford Taurus and Mercury Sable headline auto show

The next generation of the cars — Ford Taurus and Mercury Sable — that revolutionized the auto industry in the 1980's will be shown at all of this year's auto shows.

In developing the 1996 Ford Taurus, Ford benchmarked the best cars in the world and sought to incorporate as many functional and performance characteristics in the car as possible and, in many cases, exceeded established benchmarks. "The 1996 Taurus represents the most dramatic design and product advancements since Taurus was introduced in the 1986 model year," said Ross H. Roberts, Ford Motor Company vice president and general manager of Ford Division. "The 1996 model is a breakthrough product with a special combination of innovative design, outstanding quality and exceptional value."

The "1996 Sable represents a quantum leap forward," said Keith Magee, Ford Motor Company vice president and Lincoln-Mercury Division general manager. "It has an all-new exterior with breakthrough styling, an all-new interior and an all-new performance engine." The interior reflects Sable product planners' attention to customer desires for comfort, safety and convenience. An example is the "Integrated Control Panel," which puts the climate-control system and audio system

controls and the cassette deck at the driver's fingertips. When the 1996 Sable goes on sale this fall, it is expected to expand Sable's traditional customer base to include younger and import-oriented buyers.

Two new vehicles for 1995, the Ford Explorer and the Lincoln Continental, were introduced late last year.

The Ford Explorer — America's best-selling sport utility vehicle — has been redesigned for 1995 with a host of new safety features and a more sophisticated appearance while maintaining the proven toughness of Ford trucks. The exterior has an aerodynamic look, with a sloping hood, new fenders, bumper, headlights and grille. The all-new interior features a new instrument panel, new door trim and new seat styles, coupled with increased leg room.

The 1995 Lincoln Continental is new inside and out, and provides high levels of personal luxury and convenience. The new Continental offers modular V-8 power, a 100,000 mile tune-up interval, and audio, steering and suspension systems that may be programmed to the personal tastes of the driver. Its Memory Profile System permits each of two drivers to set their positions, and radio station settings, plus many other personal choice features.



1996 Ford Taurus



1996 Mercury Sable

### Four concept vehicles will be featured at selected auto shows

Four concept vehicles will be featured at selected auto shows throughout the year. The two-passenger L2K sports car takes classic and contemporary cues from its Lincoln heritage while retaining the heart-pounding performance demanded by driving enthusiasts. Its name means "Lincoln 2000." The Ford GT90 is a concept supercar combining futuristic technology with styling cues from the famed GT40 race car that was born 30 years ago. "This car is a real departure from what's been done before in automotive design," said Jack Telnack, vice president, Design, Ford Au-

tomotive Operations. "This is what we call Edge Design — a total form that places shapes on top of shapes."

Ford's new SHO-Star and Triton concept vehicles are also scheduled to appear in some cities. The SHO-Star is a potent and aggressive-looking concept minivan with luxury features. Its heart is a high-performance Taurus SHO engine tucked under the hood of a modified Ford Windstar passenger van. Ford's full-size Triton concept pickup truck "is designed to please traditional pickup truck buyers as well as

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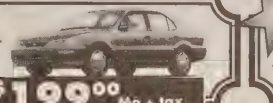
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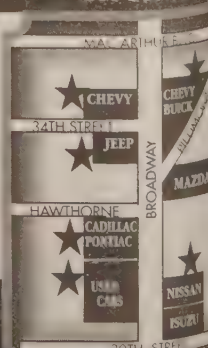
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## 606 Miscellaneous For Sale

MONTCLAIR Swim Club family membership \$275 plus transfer fee 845-3941, ext. 223.

## 607 Miscellaneous Wanted

WANTED: An old toy train Lionel Marx American Flyer lines - 547-1278

## 608 Musical Instruments

STEINWAY 8' concert grand black, 100+ years, ivory keys, great shape, sound. \$10,000/offer. 601-6352.

## 609 Pets - Care & Supplies

MATURE, responsible Oakland cat lover will care for your kitty, plants and mail. CityCats! 501-531-5940.

GERMAN Shepherd puppies, show and family protection. Call Sleight, CHILL and Von Nassau's Barry daughter! Guaranteed \$750-\$1000. 510-464-1222.

GERMAN short-haired Pointer, large affectionate male. Neutered, shots, house trained, great walking companion. Rescue (510)235-6792.

HOME needed- 2 year old black/white female neutered cat. Indoors/ outdoors. Awfully affectionate (510)339-1558.

## 712 2 BED. APT. RENTALS

2031 Shoreline- 2 bedroom with Bay view, lots of natural light. Quiet 3rd floor unit. Private deck, pool, recreation room, covered parking, elevator, coin laundry. Call 665-1924.

\$900 UPPER flat, 2 bedroom. Fireplace, great kitchen, new carpets, across from park. 522-1058.

## 713 3+ BED. APT. RENTALS

\$975 THREE bedroom, beautiful deluxe townhouse. 1 1/2 bath, verandas, garage, near Southshore. No pets. 510-531-8360.

## 714 Albany & Kensington

ALBANY, Kensington, El Cerrito, Studio, one, two, three bedroom apartments, flats, houses. Berkeley Connection, 485-7821.

\$550 1 bedroom. Small building Carpet, drapes, carpet, laundry. Near El Cerrito Plaza, transportation. 284-5615.

\$595- \$625 ALBANY 1 bedrooms, clean, quiet, new paint/ drapes, near Marin. Vyr lease- 525-2108.

\$615 ALBANY 1 bedroom fourplex, stove, refrigerator, carpeting, private patio, clean, spacious. No pets. 525-3637.

\$650 ALBANY 1 bedroom, sunny top floor, garage. Great location. Shopping. Available May 1, 527-2660.

\$700, \$825, \$925, ALBANY. HALF OFF first month. One, two, three bedroom apartments, pool, laundry, close to BART, shops, schools. Water, garage included. Lease. 524-8985.

\$750 ALBANY 2 bedroom, convenient location. Laundry facilities, parking included. Close to school, library. 235-8889.

\$750 UTILITIES included. Quiet Kensington 1 bedroom, renovated, furnished in-law. Full kitchen, range, refrigerator, laundry, storage room, washer and dryer. Private entrance, carpets, cable. Near bus and BART. 527-1876.

\$825 VERY large 2 bedroom apartment, freshly painted, central parking, laundry. No pets. 526-8814, 686-0666.

\$1250 ALBANY Hill tri-level condo. Views! 2 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath, wood burning stove. Garage. 510-243-1909.

## 715 Berkeley

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## 720 El Cerrito & North

\$660 EL CERRITO, 1+ bedroom cottage, patio, carpet, laundry, near BART and Plaza. 832-6328 evenings.

\$675 ANNEX, 2 bedroom, AEK, sunny top floor. Coin laundry, fourplex, parking, laundry. Transportation. 527-2660.

\$685 EL CERRITO 2 bedroom, wonderful sunlight, views, new carpet, fresh paint, garage. Agent, 526-9661.

\$690 EL CERRITO, 2 bedroom, quiet, nice area, near BART and shopping. Water paid. 234-1432.

\$800 BEAUTIFUL newer 2 bedroom, private, canyon view, fireplace, quiet, garden, furnishing/ optional. 522-0611.

\$800 UTILITIES included. Richmond hills, canyon view, 2 bedroom, available April 21. \$1000 deposit. 234-0845.

\$835 TWO bedroom, exclusive, fireplace, balcony, garage, storage, laundry, greenhouses, yard, shop, BART, alarm. 724-3089.

## 721 Emeryville

\$825 LARGE 2 bedroom, 2 bath, Beaudry/ Powell Victorian duplex, no pets. Agent 523-1115.

## 723 Oakland

\$375 SMALL studio, Victorian building, quiet, Adams Point, parking, balcony, free heat, non-smoking. 836-2636.

\$385 SUNNY studio between Lakeshore/ Grand. Utilities, furnished, nice kitchen. Near transportation, shopping. 930-6765.

\$425 CHARMING studio near Lake and transportation. All utilities, parking. No pets. 451-6086.

\$425 SECURITY building, near San Francisco transportation. Laundry facilities, no pets. 3830 Harrison. 655-0128/ 521-6314.

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\$595 291 LESTER 1 bedroom-Charming 1920's building, sunny eat-in kitchen, walk-in closet, hardwood floor, lots of natural light. Call 531-6969.

\$595 365 WARWICK- Large 1 bedroom. Top floor, quiet building, new carpet. Walk to Lakeshore and shopping. Call 465-0969.

\$595 421 STATEN- 1 bedroom, 1 block north of Lake. Quiet building, good natural light, fresh paint, carpet, parking, laundry. Call 531-6969.

\$595 CONDO near Rose garden, quiet building with garage and laundry. Office 415-978-1940. Home 415-821-7658.

\$595 LAKESHORE area large 1 bedroom, balcony, bright, elevator, parking, carpets, drapes, no pets. 834-5377.

\$595 ONE BEDROOM, spacious, sunny, charming, hardwood floors in quiet six-unit building on nice residential street, in great North Oakland location, walk to Piedmont Avenue. New paint, Levolors blinds. 4120 Emerald St. 450-0671.

\$595 ROCKRIDGE, large 1 bedroom with new carpet and paint. Quiet location, well-maintained property, convenient to shopping and transportation. Pleasant neighbors. 420-8181.

## 6000- \$650 ROCKRIDGE

Sunny, spacious 1 bedrooms, Pool, off-street parking. Close to transportation/shopping. Colleges. 441 Gilbert. 655-5970; 601-1694.

\$600 311 LEE. Fireplace, sunny, quiet, clean, patio. Water, garbage, off-street parking included. References. 530-6931.

\$600 AND up, 1 bedroom apartments, large security building and parking, carpets, new paint, drapes, Lake view, 1940 Lakeshore Avenue, HMC 654-4854.

\$600 GRAND/ Euclid, 1 bedroom, 1 bath, quiet building, secured parking, coin laundry. 510-835-5473/415-366-1772.

\$600 GRAND Avenue. Great location. Sunny, carpet, laundry, parking. The Prudential Landmark Real Estate 287-9966.

\$600 ONE bedroom apartment. Utilities included. Near Grand Lake Theater. 835-4527.

\$620 .640 ONE bedroom, near Piedmont, security, garage, dishwasher, AEK, laundry, balcony, no pets. 652-5299.

\$620 LAKE Shore area, sunny, large, laundry facility, near transportation. 834-5505; 523-6950 evenings.

\$620 UPPER Lakeshore/ Grand near Piedmont. Spacious, remodeled, patio, pool, AEK, interior, parking available. Fantastic area. Move-in bonus. 645-3648.

## ENGLISH CLASSIC 1920'S

English Tudor security building, China Hill location. Spacious unit features decorative fireplace, hardwood floors, high ceilings, separate breakfast room. Tastefully refurbished to enhance original style and design. Parking available. 510-482-3372; 510-547-4020; 415-459-1397.

## 6225 CONDO QUALITY

366 Staten- Large 1 bedroom, quiet quality building, north of Lake, garage parking, coin laundry. Call 451-0870.

\$625 LARGE 1 bedroom with dining room, newly renovated, parking, laundry, best neighborhood. 522-6600.

\$625 MONTCLAIR, Snake Road. Furnished bedroom in private home. Private bath. Sunporch. Parking View. (510)339-1019.

\$625 ONE bedroom with fireplace by a creek on a quiet cul-de-sac. Utilities included and separate garage. Hardwood floors and much charm. Available immediately. (510)536-5553. Please call before 9 p.m.

\$625 PLUS deposit, 1 bedroom, all utilities free, garage, Lake view, coin laundry. 835-2475; 465-7665.

\$625 SPACIOUS 1 bedroom, sunny, dishwasher, patio, laundry, 13 unit building, water/garbage paid, secured parking. 373 Staten. 465-9064; 351-7963.

\$625 SPACIOUS 1 bedroom, AEK, walk-to-wall, drapes, balcony, off-street parking, 407 Perkins. 465-2622; 268-8002.

\$630 GLENVIEW Charming 1920's 4-plex. Cozy, sunny, built-ins, French doors, roof top deck, private entrance, hardwoods original character. 415-921-7446.

\$630 PIEDMONT border, QUIET, SECURE, 1 bedroom, walk-in closet, patio, garage, elevator, laundry. Exceptionally good for Senior Citizens. 339-9662.

\$635 CHARMING 1 bedroom, view Sunny, hardwoods, roomy kitchen/ breakfast nook. Residential neighborhood. Ample parking. No pets. 633 Cleveland Street. Call for appointment 763-7724.

\$635 CHINA Hill large 1 bedroom plus study in 1920s building, 9 ceiling, bay windows, sunny, quiet, new paint and blinds, good neighborhood, garden. 465-8774.

\$635 LAKE Merritt area fourplex. Large, garage, laundry, carpet, no pets, non-smoking. Hillsborough Street. 533-1852.

## \$645 and \$675 ★★UPSCALE★★

Near Piedmont with men's/women's saunas. 360 Monte Vista. Balcony, fireplace, walk-to-wall carpeting, dishwasher, laundry, garage parking included. Storage. 658-6279.

\$645 CONDOMINIUM near Piedmont. Cozy, architecturally exciting view, deck, dishwasher, 473 Jean (Santa Clara), 272-9512.

\$650 GLENVIEW secluded, quiet, clean, new carpet, blinds, large kitchen, garage parking. 833-1956.

## \$650 EXCELLENT LOCATION

Grand Lake above MacArthur. Top floor. Light, bright, sparkling clean. Huge living room, large kitchen, bath. Generous closets. Laundry. Quiet, secure, owner managed fiveplex. No pets. 937-8944.

\$650 ADAMS Point contemporary 1 bedroom condo, new paint, carpet, laundry, patio, secure garage. The Prudential Landmark Real Estate 287-9966.

\$650 ALL utilities. Large rooms, Secure building. Resident manager. Modern kitchen and bath. Nice views. Near Lakeshore. 763-5291.

\$650 BEAUTIFUL 1 bedroom in great Art Deco building, hardwood floors, tons of sun light, heat and cable included, near shops and transportation. 839-8292.

\$650 DIMOND, large, sunny, hardwood floors, custom woodwork, yard, laundry, parking. Includes utilities. 482-5790.

\$650 LARGE 1 Bedroom, Private Balcony, Underground Parking, Clean, very Quiet. Near Lake, Transportation 268-1006.

\$650 MOVE in bonus! Hardwood floors, split level, spacious, street parking. Call 271-0674 or 652-5999.

\$650 NEAR Piedmont/ Rose garden, Spacious, sunny, balcony, dishwasher, laundry, parking. References required. 254-3263; 655-5749.

\$650 NORTH Oakland charger, large, near, hardwood floors, old 8 unit building, community garden, 415-898-3430.

\$650 NORTH Oakland/ lower Rockridge, Telegraph and Alcatraz. Nice older security building, hardwood floors, large closets. Laundry, Off-street parking. Garden. Pets negotiable. 845-1134.

\$650 QUIET building, 1 bedroom, bath, deck, parking. Near Lakeshore shops. 832-8356.

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\$650 UPPER Grand. Parking, garbage disposal, dishwasher, balcony, carpet, walk-in closet. Security deposit \$500. 836-1396.

\$660 ADAMS Point all new appliances including dishwasher, hardwood floors, parking, 1/2 off first month's rent. 330 Van Buren. 839-6718.

\$670 OVER 1000 sq. ft., top floor, Victorian, Bohemian charm. Carpeted, elevator. Near Lake 444-0620.

## \$675 DIAMOND IN THE ROUGH

180 Montecito- Large 1 bedroom, lots of natural light, dining room, hardwood floors, fresh paint, tiled kitchen and bath. Must see! 636-1977.

\$675 211 HANOVER (corner of Hanover and Lakeshore) 1 bedroom, charming older building, lots of natural light, close to Lake, shopping and transportation. 531-6969.

\$675 CHARMING, spacious 1 bedroom, hardwoods, fireplace, dining, tile, 307 Lee St. 763-2163.

\$675 CHINA Hill large unit in 5-plex, hardwood floors, spacious kitchen, formal dining room. Heat/ water included, parking available. 893-9380.

\$675 GLENVIEW nice 1 bedroom in-law. Separate entrance, new paint. Deck, laundry, storage. Walk to shops and bus. 231-0905.

\$675 NORTH Oakland (Tremecol) duplex, pets considered. Hardwood floors, shade yard, laundry. 4170 Opal. 836-4663.

\$675 ONE bedroom, unfurnished, spacious apartment. Quiet, home-like building. FIREPLACE, parking, good location. Message 658-4152.

\$675 ONE bedroom upper flat in Piedmont Ave. area, fourplex. Fireplace, garden, patio, washer/ dryer. Available immediately. 549-0365.

\$675 SPACIOUS 1 bedroom in fourplex, resembles home. Breakfast formal dining, living rooms. Carpets. 482-5454.

\$675 UPPER 1 bedroom with separate entrance in gracious, quiet 1940's building overlooking courtyard, Adams Point. Fireplace, bay window, updated kitchen. 381 Adams St. 653-5587.

\$675 UPPER Grand, near Piedmont, sunny, hardwood floors, eat-in kitchen, walk-in closets, laundry, 832-5811.

\$680 BRIGHT 1 bedroom, 1/2 block to Lake Merritt, balcony, laundry. Garage parking. 835-4311.

\$685 LARGE 1 bedroom in charming older building 1 block off Piedmont Ave. 658-7340.

\$685 PIEDMONT border/ upper Grand. Spotless, 1 bedroom flat in quiet attractive triplex. Includes garage, patio. Lawn area. Lovely residential area! Walk transportation/ shops. 510-451-1140.

\$690 ROCKRIDGE sunny 1 bedroom corner apartment with private deck. Parking, laundry, pool, quiet setting. No pets. Non-smoking. 658-3645.

\$695- \$725 OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 1-4  
Historic Art Deco building, Adams Point. Hardwood floors, walk-in closets, 1920's tiled bathrooms, renovated kitchens, laundry, garden. 832-4782.

\$695 LARGE, sunny, 1 bedroom plus, flat, hardwood floors, near Park Blvd., quiet neighborhood. 535-6741.

\$700 CONDO, 425 Orange. Large, quiet, quality security building, secure garage parking, great neighborhood. Pool, appliances, laundry, Cat okay. 415-441-9417.

\$700 GLENVIEW duplex spacious 1 bedroom unit, newly refurbished with hardwood floors, private backyard with fruit trees, deck, enclosed garage, full basement. No pets. 658-6444.

\$700 OAKLAND gorgeous 1 1/2 bedroom apartment in four unit Victorian building. Private deck, hardwood floors, dishwasher, disposal, parking, laundry, 1/2 block to Lake. 525-0395.

\$700 SPOTLESS 1 bedroom condo, secure building, hardwood floors, area. Close/ happy transportation. Underground secured parking. Available April 1. No pets. Torill Hargreaves, Realty World. 450-0500.

\$705 DESIRABLE Glenview 1920's charmer. Bay window, sunny, security fourplex. Updated kitchen/ bath, lots of storage. Near shops/ transportation, garage, available. Cats okay. 452-1338; 415-966-0287.

\$720 NEAR PIEDMONT, large, sunny, formal dining, balcony, laundry, secure entrance/ parking. Bus, shopping. 652-7719.

\$720 ROCKRIDGE, security building, newly painted, hardwood floors, laundry, new tile kitchen floor. Near BART 654-3010.

\$740 GLENVIEW fourplex. Quiet, spacious, sunny, immaculate. Hardwood floors, Levolors, dining room, large kitchen, plus own utility room, garage. Yard for gardening. Nice neighbors. 254-7229.

\$750 CHARMING duplex, spacious, fireplace, laundry room, private court, near Mills. Available May 1. 536-4706.

\$750 LAKE view, spacious, clean, light, quiet! Single automatic garage. Mature cat/ dog under 15 pounds okay. Requirements: A-1 credit, etc. 2 year lease. 763-7651.

\$750 PIEDMONT area, 1 bedroom, top floor condo. Security building with parking. All appliances. 415-435-0947.

\$760 GLENVIEW 815 sq. ft. 1 bedroom in quiet, classic 1930 building with pleasant gardens. Remodeled kitchen. Bay window, hardwood floor, 9 ceilings. Cable, laundry. No cats. 530-3511.

\$765 SUNNY 1 bedroom, fourplex, formal dining, oak floors, walk-in closet. View. Parking. Storage. Vermont St. Available May 1. 832-3583.

\$785 UPPER Rockridge: Hardwoods, top floor, Bay view, security, balcony, laundry. 5901 Broadway. 836-4663; 652-9321.

\$795 VICTORIAN (includes all utilities) near Piedmont/ Rose Garden, laundry facilities, new carpet, mini-blinds, freshly painted. 3912 Harrison St. 209-835-1011.

\$800- 1200 LAKE Merritt large Spanish style 1 and 2 bedroom, sunny, high beamed ceilings, 20 ft. living room, huge closets, dishwasher, parking. (415)861-0474.

\$820 MONTCLAIR large. Pets okay, dog run, garage, fireplace, laundry, Cable. Quiet. May 1. 339-2398.

\$850 MONTCLAIR/ Piedmont border. Sunny 3 bedrooms, kitchenette, quiet garden setting, garage. ALL UTILITIES PAID. 547-5072, anytime.

\$875 INCLUDES all utilities plus cable. Beautiful, unique, Mexican tile floors, 17x15 bedroom. Potential live/ work. Big back yard, gardening service. China Hill. 444-2698.

\$900 DELUXE, quiet Glenview 1 bedroom plus den in spacious duplex. Completely redecorated. Huge closets, laundry. New kitchen with dishwasher. Security alarm system. 530-4259.

\$900 GLENVIEW, large 1 bedroom duplex, off-street parking, view, garbage/ water paid. 4324 Leach. 895-2510.

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\$900 SPACIOUS, sunny 1 bedroom, 1 block above Grand near Piedmont. Hardwood floors. Water disposal, dishwasher, garage. Must see. 547-6806.

\$930 BERKELEY Oakland border 1+ bedrooms. Very nice updates flat. Sunny, fireplace, garage, dishwasher. 450-0391.

## \$1200 FURNISHED

Bay Area's Finest. Everything included. Optional duration. Visa Rentor. 436 Sunnyvale. 841-4141.

BEST ADAMS POINT LOCATION  
306 Lee St. 1 bedroom opening onto garden courtyard. One block to shopping and transportation. Laundry, elevator and parking. Available in April-1 bedroom on top floor with skylights. For appointment to see, call Ann at (510)834-6636.

Spacious Apartments  
452-2141

1 Bedrooms \$610-\$650  
2 Bedroom, 1 Bath \$775

Balcony, Pool, Microwave, Dishwasher, Parking. Two blocks to Lake and Grand Lake Theater. 520 Van Buren Avenue. Adams Point

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\$485- \$685 STUDIOS/ 2 bedrooms available. Newly remodeled/ building. Secure, spacious, close to transportation. 451-8612.

\$575- \$700 ONE/ 2 bedrooms. Piedmont border/ Rose Garden, Security, balcony, carpeted, 630 Mariposa. 653-6601.

\$595 CARPORT, non-smoking, no pets, new paint, new carpet, very nice, very secure. (510)206-2949.

\$600 AND up 2 bedrooms. Also 1 bedrooms \$475 and up. Lake Merritt area in nice neighborhood. 834-4433; 834-1383.

\$600 SMALL sunny 1 bedroom in-law unit near Oak Knoll/ 580. Utilities Paid. 635-4429.

\$625 TWO bedroom townhouse, quiet off-street setting and parking, new appliances. CPS/Select 444-0276.

\$640 LINDA/ Piedmont Ave. Economy 2nd floor. Carpeted, laundry, intercom. 652-8163.

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Is hereby registered by the following Owner:  
William T. Brown, 316 Ponderosa Ct., Richmond, CA 94803.

This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on February 23, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-964  
The Name of the Business:  
Aquacore Aquarium Services, 2770 Estates Ave., Apt. A, Pinole, CA 94954.

Is hereby registered by the following Owner:  
Norman T. Niven, 2770 Estates Ave., Apt. A, Pinole, CA 94954.

This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on February 15, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-1059  
The Name of the Business:  
Spirit Enterprises, 34 Muth Drive, Orinda, CA 94563.

Is hereby registered by the following Owner:  
Brand James Hurd, 34 Muth Drive, Orinda, CA 94563.

This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on February 21, 1995. The Journal March 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-1398  
The Name of the Business:  
S. T. Clog, 12284 San Pablo Avenue, Suite 103, Richmond, CA 94805.

Is hereby registered by the following Owner:  
Charlotte Fletcher, 2618 Market Avenue, San Pablo, CA 94606.

This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on March 8, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-996  
The Name of the Business:  
Dam Good Donut and Ice Cream, 14401 San Pablo Ave., #B, San Pablo, CA 94806.

Is hereby registered by the following Owners:  
Thomas R. Vito, 1261 65th Ave., #F, Oakland, CA 94621.

Vammy Chan, 2203 14th Ave., #2, Oakland, CA 94606.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on February 15, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME

File No. 95-2451  
The following person has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name Dam Good Donuts, 14401B San Pablo Ave., #B, San Pablo, CA 94806.

The fictitious business name referred to above was filed in Contra Costa County on April 16, 1992.

I, Ram Parkash Vohra, 1318 John Ave., San Pablo, CA 94606.

Signed: Ram Parkash Vohra. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Contra Costa County on February 15, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-1148  
The Name of the Business:  
Nature Systems, 1425 Quail Valley Run, Oakley, CA 94661.

Is hereby registered by the following Owner:  
Deborah Henriques, 1425 Quail Valley Run, Oakley, CA 94661.

This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on March 14, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-1260  
The Name of the Business:  
Bay Mud, 5239 San Jose Ave., Richmond, CA 94804.

Is hereby registered by the following Owner:  
Bruce Dillenbeck, 5239 San Jose Ave., Richmond, CA 94804.

This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on March 1, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-1043  
The Name of the Business:  
SamplePlan, 58 Anelda Dr., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.

Is hereby registered by the following Owners:  
Lori Gardner, 58 Anelda Dr., Pleasant Hill, CA 94523.

Andrew Bonner, 6145 Brookside, Oakland, CA 94618.

This business is conducted by Co-Partners. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on February 17, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-1042  
The Name of the Business:  
Collegiate Memorabilia, 1910 Kingridge Ct., Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

Is hereby registered by the following Owner:  
J. Christopher Zyla, 1910 Kingridge Ct., Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on February 17, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-1433  
The Name of the Business:  
Magical Moments for Children, 1030 Scots Lane, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

Is hereby registered by the following Owner:  
Joan Gates, 1030 Scots Lane, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on March 9, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-1155  
The Name of the Business:  
1) Auto Repair Club, Highest Quality Maintenance and Repair 680-4800 2) Auto Repair Club (A.R.C.) 4) Company Fleet Service (C.F.S.) 6) C.A. Only 7) Car Care Club 8) Auto Care Club, 2888 Willow Pass Road, Concord, CA 94519.

Are hereby registered by the following Owner:  
Huyen Le, 2888 Willow Pass Road, Concord, CA 94519.

This business is conducted by an individual. Statement was filed with County Clerk of Contra Costa County on February 24, 1995. The Journal March 23, 30, April 6, 13, 1995.

**FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT** File No. 95-1625

The Name of the Business:

Melody's After Work Travel Agency, 1180 Stirling Dr., Rodco, CA 94572. P.O. Box 6626, San Pablo, CA 94806.

Is hereby registered by the following Owners:

Mark Pritchard, 1180 Stirling Dr., Rodco, CA 94572.

This business is conducted by a General Partnership.

Statement was filed with County Clerk of

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Contra Costa County on March 16, 1995. The Journal March 30, April 6, 13, 20, 1995.

### FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

File No. 95-1183  
The Name of the Business:  
AudioTouch, 2) MobilTouch, 3) VisualOn, 4) VoiceVision, 1630 N. Main Street, Suite 373, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

Are hereby registered by the following Owner:  
Tracy Noel McCullough, 1630 N. Main Street, Suite 373, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.